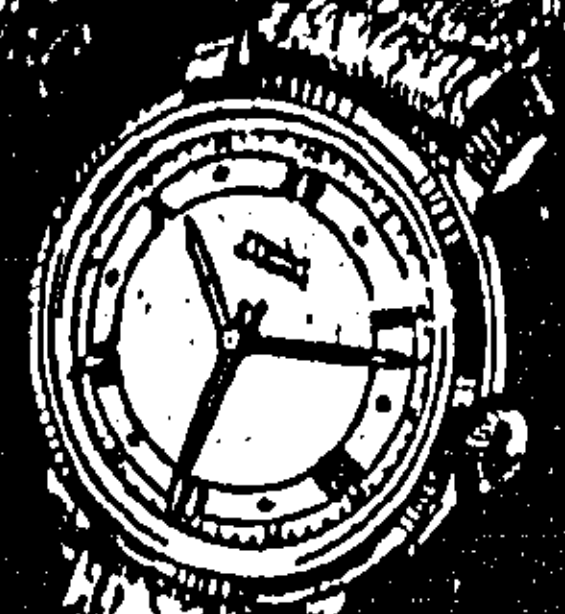


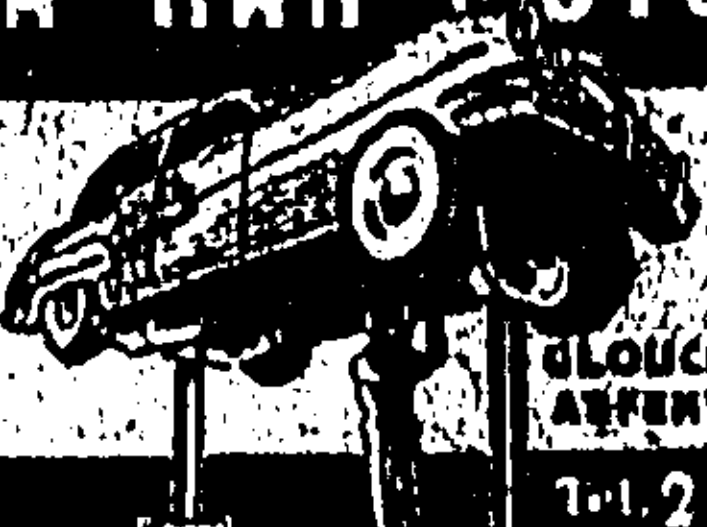
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REDS CROSS THE NAKTONG: BIG OFFENSIVE UNDER WAY

Japan peace treaty near

Tokyo, August 5. The Chief Cabinet Secretary, Katsuo Okazaki, told Japanese reporters at a press conference yesterday that a peace treaty will be concluded for Japan earlier than generally expected, reports the Kyodo news agency today.

He was referring to a United States report quoting American authoritative quarters as having expressed the opinion that a draft proposal on a Japanese peace treaty would be completed by the end of this month.

He told reporters that the war in Korea would promote the conclusion of a peace treaty rather than deter it, added Kyodo.—Reuter.

NORTHERN GLOW TO BE FREED

Taipei, August 5. The Nationalist Government today notified the British Consul, Mr. Edward Biggs, that the 6,000-ton British freighter "Northern Glow" detained in the Formosan Straits since July 23, would be released.

The communication said that the cargo, which was claimed to be war materials for Communist China, would be detained but the crew and ship would be allowed to sail as soon as a message was conveyed to the naval authorities in Makung in the Pescadores Islands.

An earlier report from the captain of a Norwegian ship, which reached Hong Kong after detention in the Pescadores, said that the Nationalists were unloading 4,000 tons of steel plates, iron ore and other goods from the "Northern Glow."

The Provincial Government authorities made no mention of the "Northern Glow's" Chinese third officer, reported by the Norwegian skipper to have been taken from the Pescadores to Taiwan.—Reuter.

CARRIER BREAKS OWN RECORD

San Francisco, August 5. The carrier Boxer, which established a trans-Pacific speed record ferrying planes for the Korean battlefront, broke that record on arriving here yesterday on the return trip.

The 27,000-ton ship will not be long here, it was indicated, although no one would say officially when she might return to the war front.

The Boxer arrived home from Japan in seven days, 18 hours, 30 minutes. The outgoing time was eight days seven hours, breaking the mark set in 1941 of 11 days, 10 hours and 49 minutes by the Japanese liner Nitta Maru.—Associated Press.

MOSCOW'S VIEW

Moscow, August 5. The "Literary Gazette" said today that despite a constant flow of reinforcement the Americans are unable to hold any defence line long in Korea.

It said five American divisions are now fighting.—Associated Press.

The weather

At 0600 GMT (10 p.m. HKST) the trough persists from the Gulf of Tonkin through the Luzon Strait to the Pacific E of the Philippines. It is most active over the NW of the China Sea. A few showers, mainly during the night.

Yesterday's Weather:
Maximum: 84.8 deg. F.
Minimum: 74.1 deg. F.
Sunshine: 4.3 hours.

Mainfall: 10.1 mm (0.4 in.)
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Massive reinforcement of Communist forces TWO-PRONGED ATTACK?

Tokyo, August 5.

North Korean forces today punched across the Naktong River, a new U.S. "line of no retreat." The Eighth Army said in a communique that the crossing was made East and South East of Sangju. Sangju is near the North West corner of the American defence box. There was no word on the size of the force.

The crossing posed a third major threat to the Allied defence forces. The Korean Reds were reported to have three divisions massed for a strike across the Naktong near Waegwan, South of Sangju and only 15 miles from the U.S. Central communications centre of Taegu. Far to the South, the Reds were massing four crack divisions East of Chinju for the drive on Pusan, only 35 miles away.

In the Central sector, American planes blasted a large enemy armoured force half a mile West of the Naktong. Associated Press correspondent Lief Erickson said the U.S. planes knocked out four of five tanks moving North East toward Waegwan and pounded Red artillery, trucks and troops.

American artillery also hurled shells into the enemy. The big Communist offensive, likely to hit at two or more points simultaneously, appeared at hand.

A spokesman at General MacArthur's Headquarters said that when the Reds began moving their forces in daylight on exposed roads it would signal the nearness of their offensive. For the past few days they had concealed their movements. Now they were coming into the open.

The next big Communist drive was expected in the critical Southern sector East of Chinju. There the Reds had four probing assaults on Thursday, and yesterday but were repulsed with heavy losses.

The Reds were reported to be massing four crack divisions for the big push in the Southern sector. They were only 35 miles from Pusan, vital U. S. supply port.

Red claims

A Communist broadcast from Pyongyang today said "North Koreans are engaged in a decisive battle with the American and South Korean forces" along the Naktong River, new U. S. defence line.

It said the Reds are using planes. The broadcast covered a summary made by the Red Army command. It said: "The North Koreans, with the reinforcement of air forces in support of ground forces, have started bombing and doing their utmost to sever American supply lines, and with additional power are severely attacking enemy positions and enemy installations."

On the Southern sectors of the Western front, the radio said, the Americans "are heavily attacking the North Koreans from high ground along the Naktong."

Retreat hinted

The GI's mauling the advance defence posts on the South coast blunted and threw back two aggressive Communist attacks in the last 24 hours, but may have to fall back under the massive weight of the reinforcements pouring into the invaders' thrust today.

The United States lines, straddling two coast roads between Chinju and Masan, but forward East of the main Naktong River front, to which GI's and South Koreans fell back during the past few days. The Communists were reported to have crossed the Naktong River in the North, where two South Korean divisions were being withdrawn, according to a report.

plan several miles behind the river—turned and counter-attacked, pursuing the Northerners five miles from Andong.

A senior American officer predicted today that the Communists might plunge forward simultaneously in the South and from Kuchon towards the key centre of Taegu.

The spokesman said the Reds appeared to be massing troops equal to three full divisions—some 25,000 men—at the North end of the American Naktong River line before the big transport hub of Taegu, and massing another 25,000 troops for their attack on the main supply port of Pusan in the South.

"It may be the enemy will consider himself strong enough to mount both attacks at once," said the spokesman.

Critical front

The officer disclosed that the Communists were regrouping and preparing new attacks in both areas after repulse. The Communists still regard the South as the critical threat but may attempt both lunges at the same time, regardless of undoubted heavy losses.

There were indications, not confirmed officially, that American reinforcements of Marines and infantry are already in or about to arrive at Naktong River—the new "line of no retreat."

This wide shallow stream is not the great natural barrier it appears on the map, but does provide a clear field of fire which the Communists will find more difficult to swamp and infiltrate than the mountains of the North and West.

At least three Communist divisions are poised for an assault on Taegu—where the front line is less than seven miles from the second largest city of free Korea. Patrols were out last night probing the United States lines. Reports of Communist strength in the South are confused, but at least four divisions and parts of a fifth are massed from Kuchon down to Chinju. Tanks

were also reported in the Chinju area.

Main assault

The main assault is coming towards Pusan down the coastal plain which, a United States officer said, "fascinates" the Communists. The Northerners broke off two attacks East of Chinju yesterday after taking heavy losses from entrenched G.I.s. Both were at Wungui on the Northern coast road to Masan. The first ended at 2 p.m. when the Northerners broke off the engagement.

They came in again five hours later for a second pitched battle but again made no ground and broke off the action. Their losses were estimated at about 600 in each attack.

Fighting South Koreans, ordered back to the planned line withdrawal, turned angrily on the following Communists just South of Andong and threw them back. They fought at two hill towns, Odmdong and Simhung, on two corners of the triangle from Andong. The Naktong River, which runs through Andong is fordable all along the Northern front and in many places of the new "West Wall" held by G. I.s.

Patrols were in contact with the Communists in many places along the defence line today but the front was relatively quiet. At Yongdok on the East coast, two battalions of Communists attacked but were thrown back with heavy losses by the South Koreans.

Air activity

Signs of the Communist air force were reported in four places today for the first time in weeks. Warplanes strafed American-held Masan, 32 miles from Pusan, at dawn.

Four single-engine Red-Stard fighters were seen taking off from Kimp'o airfield, Seoul, by American Superforts which dropped 100 tons of bombs on marshalling yards, but did not attack the bombers.

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Dim view of UN proceedings

Lake Success, August 5. Russia's "peace" plan, calling for the immediate withdrawal of all foreign troops from Korea, was viewed by the West today as a new Kremlin "shell game."

However, diplomatic observers felt that the chief Soviet delegate, Jacob A. Malik, who put the proposition before the United Nations Security Council, and then succeeded in a surprise manoeuvre that adjourned the Council, until Tuesday, had scored another propaganda victory, however fleeting.

Ambassador Warren Austin, chief of the American delegation, described the Russian resolution for withdrawal of troops as a "device just like the alibi of a pea under one shell and then under another."

He said: "This is evidence of the kind of game that the peace-loving countries of the world are up against in the Security Council—to have a copy of the Presidency and a position as a permanent member offer a resolution that pretends to seek peace and keep pushing it ahead of the regular order. This shows exactly the hypocrisy the United Nations have been up against since the beginning of the attack on Korea and the Eastern front."

He said the Russian plan was "a device just like the alibi of a pea under one shell and then under another."

United Nations and calling on all members to refrain from assisting or encouraging the Red Korean invasion.

When Mr. Malik announced a half hour before the Council's usual adjournment time on Friday night that he would adjourn until Tuesday no Western voice was raised in protest. The best guess was the West was caught flat-footed.

A U.S. howitzer in action



A U.S. 155mm howitzer crew lets go with its weapon somewhere in Korea against advancing North Korean forces. (AP Photo).

Agitation for arming Germans & Japanese

Washington, August 5.

Bipartisan demands were being voiced in Congress today for arming the Germans and Japanese to defend themselves against possible Communist attack.

Senator Warren Magnuson, Washington Democrat, came up with a proposal for voluntary enlistment of Japanese in the American armed forces.

Chiang to fight for Quemoy

Taipei, August 5.

The Nationalists today said in effect that they would fight for Quemoy, the 50-square-mile island off the Red China mainland opposite Taiwan.

Quemoy, which Chinese call Chienmen (Golden Gate), is garrisoned by Nationalist troops under battle-tested General Hu Lien, who gave the Reds a sound thrashing when they tried to invade his little domain last October.

The Government spokesman, Shen Chang-huan, issued a statement denying reports that General Douglas MacArthur had recommended abandonment of Quemoy and that this was likely to occur shortly.

The Nationalists, Mr. Shen added, had never considered withdrawing from the island.

It is now taken for granted that the United States Seventh Fleet will place no hindrance on Nationalist air and naval support for the defenders if the Reds try to conquer Quemoy.

But Quemoy is outside the Seventh Fleet's defence zone embracing the Pescadores and other satellite islands and the defenders will, therefore, have no help from the Seventh Fleet.

The Nationalists claim to have foiled an attempt by several hundred Reds to seize Tienou-shan, a tiny island about 180 miles South of Shanghai, on July 28.—Associated Press.

Senators Richard B. Russell, Georgia Democrat, and Henry Cabot Lodge, Massachusetts Republican, suggested, instead, that the United States ask the United Nations to begin the formation of an international police force with German and Japanese units.

Senator Walter F. George, Georgia Democrat, told his colleagues that a strong ground army should be built in both occupied countries.

Senator Magnuson asked General Douglas MacArthur by cable to say whether the Washington, Senator's proposal for voluntary enlistment of Japanese in the American armed forces would be practical.

Senator Magnuson thinks such a course would circumvent the provision of the Japanese constitution which bars that country from forming an army.

With the withdrawal of American occupation forces from Japan for the fighting in Korea, he thinks steps should be taken, at once to put in uniform as many Japanese as want to serve in defence of their homeland.

Half a million

"We would have a pool of at least a 500,000 trained men to draw from," he observed.

Under the Magnuson proposal Japanese who enlisted would be paid up to half the rate of American troops. They would not be made eligible either for American citizenship or for ex-Servicemen's benefits.

The Washington Senator said Chairman Millard Tydings, Maryland Democrat, had promised an early hearing by the Armed Services Committee on the proposal, with the observation that the group would explore at the same time the possibility of making the same sort of opportunity available to German ex-servicemen.

Senator Lodge, a Foreign Relations Committee member, does not like the idea of treating a foreign legion within the American armed forces.

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AIRFIELDS IN TAIWAN FOR USAF

Taipei, August 5. Work on extending airfields in Taiwan for use by the United States Air Force is being speeded up. How many fields are involved is being kept secret.

Jets and heavy bombers would require longer runways than are now available.

Six F-80 Shooting Star jets landed at an airfield in Taiwan yesterday—the first USAF units to be assigned for defence of this island.

Last evening they flew several times over Taipei, nearly all of whose inhabitants had their first sight of jets.

Two high American officers—and a growing number of them are to be seen in Taiwan these days—called this morning on President Chiang Kai-shek. One of them was Major-general Howard Turner, commander of the 13th USAF.

The other was Major-general Alonzo P. Fox, Deputy Chief of General MacArthur's Far East Command, who is here to establish a liaison office.

The United States tanker Cimarron is due to arrive this afternoon at the North coast port of Keelung with a full load of aviation fuel.

But whether this was intended for the Nationalist Air Force or American air units, which General Douglas MacArthur assigned for the defence of Taiwan was not disclosed.

The Cimarron is under escort by the United States cruiser Juneau, which has seen action in Korean waters. The Juneau is under the command of Captain William K. Smith, who was Naval Attaché to the United States Embassy in China when World War II ended.—Associated Press.

ELIZABETH'S SECOND CHILD

London, August 5.

Princess Elizabeth's second child, third in succession to the throne, may be born in about a week's time, according to Buckingham Palace sources today.

Sister Helen Rowe, the midwife, nearly 60 years of age, is expected to arrive at Clarence House on Monday night. She attended the birth of Prince Charles in November.

Already, portable hospital equipment has been installed in Clarence House, the London home of the Duke and the Princess.—Reuter.

BRITAIN ORDERS 3,000 JETS

London, August 5.

The "Daily Herald" newspaper of the governing Labour Party, said today that Britain has placed orders for 3,000 jet planes to reinforce its Fighter Command.—Associated Press.

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HOUSING SHORTAGE IN COLONY EASING

Reminders

Today

Posthumous award of Boy Scouts Cornwall badge to Yiu Chung-kwong, Morse Hut, 5.30 p.m.
Classical Concert, Tac H, 8.00 p.m.
Nine Dragons Service Club, symphony recital, 7 p.m.
Film: "Supplication", 8 p.m.
NAAFI Club, snooker tournament, 7.30 p.m.
Kowloon Bowling Green Club, Golden Jubilee celebration, 4.30 p.m.
Vocal Recital by Diana Tsiang and Tsan Kiu-lin, The Grilles, HK Hotel, 9 p.m.

Coming events

TOMORROW

European YMCA, Whist Drive, 6.30 p.m.
Union Jack Club, tombola, 7.45 p.m.

TUESDAY

Hong Kong Rotary Club luncheon, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
Bridge Drive, European YMCA, 8.30 p.m.
Cheong Services Club, whist drive, 7.30 p.m.
NAAFI Club, table tennis tournament, 8 p.m.
Nine Dragons Service Club, whist drive (cash prizes), 8 p.m.

For the first time in years, "To Let" signs have re-appeared on walls and pillars of houses—the first sign of an easing of the housing shortage.

European-style flats, or rooms in these flats, are now available here and there all over the Colony. They are either newly constructed houses or flats vacated or about to be vacated by people returning to China or moving to less expensive quarters.

There has been a sharp drop in key money figures, but rental remains high. Landlords explain that due to high construction costs and uncertainty of future real estate value, rentals must be high for them to recoup their outlay in the shortest time possible.

A whole flat in Prince Edward Road, Kowloon, "complete with furniture, is reported to be on offer to anyone willing to pay \$5,000, whereas at the peak of the shortage, rich refugees from China gladly paid \$20,000 for possession of the same flat.

Rooms in European style-flats in Kowloon are available at a rental ranging from \$100 to \$150 a month, plus a nominal amount of key money.

The chief factor for this improvement in the housing situation is the mounting number of new houses being built, and the dwindling number of rich refugees from China, many of whom are finding their resources running out and have to leave.

A long time

Landlords of new houses told the Sunday Herald that they have no fear of a lack of tenants.

New Police Headquarters building

Hong Kong's new Police Headquarters building will be located in Wanhsai, at the junction of Queen's Road East and Arsenal Street, but it will not be ready until 1962 at the earliest.

In the recent Police Report it was revealed that Government had granted the site for the building, but nothing can be done until financial provision is made in next year's Estimates.

Police Headquarters is at present in Oriental Building, next to Electric House on the Praya.

'The Aces' are one year old

The Aces concert party marked its first anniversary on Thursday night with a grand performance of its stars at the camp of the 1st Staffordshire Regiment in the New Territories.

The party comprised the largest number of artists ever to perform at a Services camp, and the excellent show provided is considered to have been the best the Aces have so far produced.

The soloists—Rena Kipow, Betty Mansell, Hilda Dekka, John Small and Carmen Sung—were accorded tremendous applause for their well-rendered songs. Other hits were "The Pretty Girl" and "Choosing Your Trade" numbers.

Frankie Fonseca's orchestral number provided 15 minutes of very pleasant music, and it was unfortunate that the orchestra's pianist, Dr. Ozorio, was unable to attend. Although he was missed by all, Bert Gillette, the piano and Hammond organ wizard, ably filled the breach in addition to playing in the orchestra, he provided several excellent solo numbers during the evening.

Another attraction which went over well on Thursday was Brian Phillips, who was better than ever narrating his funny stories, while Zena Mitchell, who did the difficult Horripo dance, impressed the audience with her talent. The "girls" taking part in the show were Pat Lilywhite, Harriet Pickering, Mary Gillette and Sylvia Small, who have all extremely popular with the troops.

Dorothy Hart-Baker and Freddie Clemen were screamingly funny in their number—the "Apache Dance"—and John Van David was his usual best in his impersonation of Danny Kaye.

Others who contributed to the success of the evening were Peppi Paunten and Menas Silas. The latter, together with Dorothy Hart-Baker, was in no small measure responsible for the success of the show. They worked untiringly and Menas Silas, in addition, not only composed the music, but wrote the words for some of the numbers.

The chief guest of the evening was Mr. B. Benson, the third working chairman of the Forces Civilian Welfare and Entertainment Committee, and at one time an officer in the 1st Staffordshire Regiment.

After the show, the Aces and the many guests were entertained by Lieutenant-Colonel Martin and the officers of the Regiment.

SPORTSMAN FINED

A well-known Chinese footballer, Yim Si-kan, aged 32, was charged before Mr. J. Reynolds at Central yesterday with boarding a vessel before the Immigration Officers had concluded their examination of the passengers and was fined \$50.

Chief Inspector H. B. J. Brown said that the defendant boarded the ship Chien Men at the Wing Lok Wharf on Friday as she berthed alongside the wharf.

Returning to China

The reason for these Chinese tenement flats or cubicles becoming vacant is the large number of people of the middle and poorer classes returning to China, because of the high cost of living in Hong Kong. This applies especially to the large number of people who fled to Hong Kong from both Canton and the villages after the Communist occupation of Kwangtung.

Even people normally residing in the Colony are sending their dependents to live in Canton because of the much lower cost of living there, and "at least they can live in a whole flat by themselves in comfort, without having to be crammed five or six people in a small cubicle," one of these people told the Sunday Herald.

The principal tenants of these tenements, who have been the class that have benefited most from the recent influx of refugees from the mainland, are unwilling to re-let their cubicles for too low a sum of key money, hence the large number of "to let" notices exhibited. People responding to these notices are mostly families now cooped up in overcrowded cubicles. They want to find either more spacious or cheaper accommodation. The majority of them are unable to pay the high key money demanded.

The situation as far as Chinese tenements are concerned is that overcrowding is as acute as ever, and has in no way been eased by people returning to the mainland because of the exorbitant key money still demanded by principal tenants.

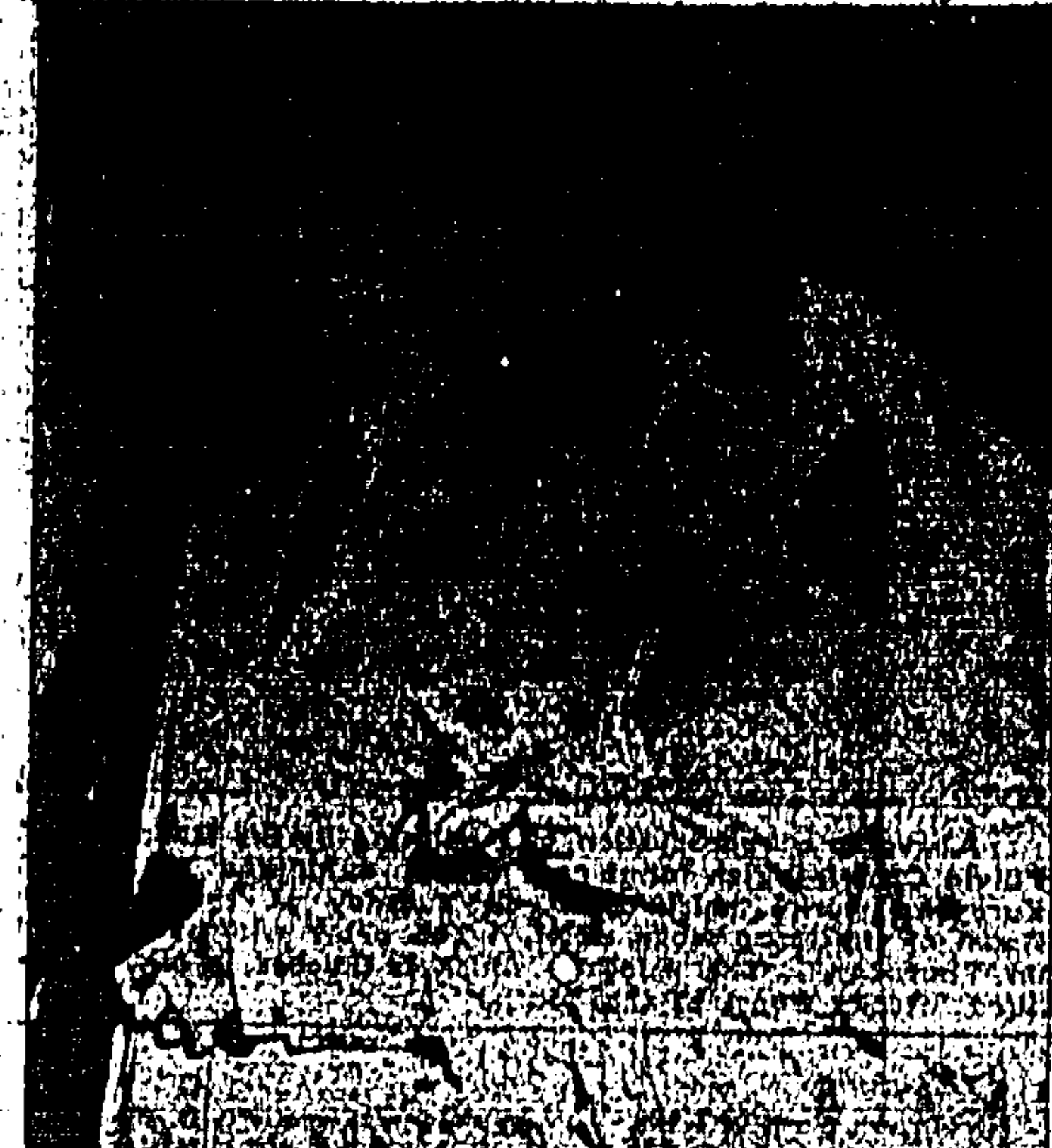
CYCLIST KILLED

A fatal traffic accident occurred at about 10 p.m. yesterday in Kowloon, when a No. 9 route motor bus knocked down a Chinese cyclist at the junction of Argyle Street and Prince Edward Road.

The cyclist was killed almost instantaneously. Up to a late hour last night the identity of the man and details of the accident were not available.

HACKED TO DEATH

A Chinese mason, engaged in building work at No. 25, Water Street, was found dead at the site early yesterday morning. His body bore signs of having been savagely attacked by chop-pest and other blunt instruments. He was identified as Leung Chiu-kong, aged 37.



Mr. and Mrs. Thomas William Nottidge, who were married at St. John's Cathedral yesterday. The bride was formerly Miss Dreda Eaton. ("China Mail" photo.)

Cathedral weddings

Nottidge—Eaton

Miss Dreda Eaton, elder daughter of the late Mr. Richard G. Eaton and Mrs. Eaton of Gosnell, Nottingham, became the bride of Mr. Thomas William Nottidge of Butterfield and Swire (Insurance Department) at St. John's Cathedral yesterday.

The bridegroom is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Nottidge of Sevenoaks, Kent.

The Reverend George Sile officiated. The bride was given away by Mr. M. Talan MBE, proprietor of the American Lloyd Travel Service. She looked radiant in a gown designed by herself in pale blue organdy. From a simple tucked bodice fell three skirts—the two outer fluted ones flowing into a two-yard train, and the lower, scattered with rosebuds of the same material as the gown fell fully over a little-flounced skirt. The recessed theme was repeated in the bride's head-dress, where they encircled a deep, shaped bandeau—all in pale blue organdy.

An organdy-covered prayer-book bearing orchids was carried by the bride. Mrs. Alyson Talan, acting as Matron of Honour, wore a black shantung suit with a very narrow skirt, and a jacket with a horseshoe collar filled in with pink and fuchsia silk. Three oval-shaped, velvet-trimmed petals were attached to the hip line to match her large black straw and velvet hat made in three petal-shaped portions. Black shantung shoes and handbags and long fuchsia jersey gloves completed Mrs. Talan's ensemble.

The duties of bridesmaid were performed by Miss Frances Turling, who was gowning in pale pink organdy. An enormous tucked collar was fitted into the low neckline of the bodice. The double skirts were tucked slightly round their hips, rising slightly in front to show a delightful petticoat of pink tulle and taffeta.

Miss Turling carried an organdy muff covered in the same pink and mauve blue as her headpiece, which was fashionably one-sided.

Mr. H. J. C. Bradford was best man.

The reception was later held at the Jacobean Room of the Hong Kong Hotel, where Mr. and Mrs. Talan were host and hostess. The newly-weds will go to Bangkok for their honeymoon.

The bride's going-away ensemble was in navy and white. Her dress was in navy-bottled Swiss voile originally teamed with fine white waffle tulle, and complemented by a wide-brimmed white straw hat, white gloves and handbag with navy shoes piced narrowly with white.

Deas—Kirkwood

The wedding took place at Union Church, Kennedy Road, yesterday of Mr. John Renwick Deas, sub-accountant of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, and Mrs. Winifred Leslie Kirkwood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. A. Hingworth of King'sisle, Inverness, Scotland.

The bridegroom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Deas, of Monifieth, Angus, Scotland.

The bride was given away by Mr. B. J. B. Morahan of the Education Department. Matron of honour was Mrs. Morahan, Mr. Guy Mitchell, Chartered Bank sub-accountant, was best man.

Reverend J. E. Sandbach conducted the ceremony. No. 10 Queen's Garden, home of Mr. and Mrs. Morahan, was the scene of the reception held later in the afternoon. The toast to the newly-weds was proposed by Mr. G. A. Leiper.

Long—Williams

The wedding of Mrs. Rose Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kruger of Castlemaine, Victoria, Australia, to Mr. William Garland Long of Standard-Vacuum Oil Company, took place at St. John's Cathedral yesterday.

Mr. Long is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. U. Long of Perth, Western Australia.

Given away by Mr. DeFrede G. Polk, Manager of Standard-Vacuum, the bride was gowning in a cocktail-length gown of champagne coloured broderie anglaise, with pink and champagne rose buds at the black waistline, and a hat of the same material.

She carried a bouquet of three pink rosebuds.

Matron of Honour was Mrs. Bryan Hunt. She wore a black and white silk ensemble with matching hat and accessories.

Mr. Ernest C. Sinker of Standard-Vacuum was best man.

The ceremony was conducted by Reverend George Sile.

The reception was held at "Albany" 459, Wyke Road, home of Mr. and Mrs. Polk. The bride's going-away dress was a pastel pink silk gown matching the hats and accessories.

TO BE WED

The following have announced their forthcoming weddings: Captain Harold Whitby, of Officers Mess REME, Hong Kong, and Miss Nella Zorlin, an Italian from Italy.

Sergeant Frank Walter, Battalion of Sergeants Mess, HQF, and Miss Vera Adams, of Route 109, England.

David Cohen, civil engineer, of 55, Kadoorie Avenue, Kowloon, and Miss Thelma Roberts, nurse, sister of Queen Mary Hospital.

WEDDING AT REGISTRAR'S

Corporal Ronald Barbour, of 17 Field Ambulance (Army Post Office, No. 1, Kowloon), and Miss Jeanette Kwok, of 1 Sing Wing Street, 6th floor, were married at the Supreme Court Marriage Registrar's Office yesterday in the presence of P. Fielding and 11 friends.



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Squibb

Reds cross Naklong

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United States light bombers bombed and strafed eight villages grounded at Kuchon, only 15 miles from the new American defensive position along Naklong and four others at Ouan, 10 miles South of Suwon.

One observer suggested that the Communists were holding back their few planes—probably not more than 100—for concentrated dusk raids on Pusan if the American beachhead is compressed to a "Dunkirk."

American B-26's, already armed with 500 pound bombs, were diverted from their targets to attack a 16,000-ton freighter or transport of "unknown" nationality in Incheon harbour.

The transport was sunk as it unloaded troops or supplies into

ORDINANCE TO BE WIDENED

A Bill to make minor amendments to the Deportation of Aliens Ordinance, 1933, will have its first reading at Wednesday's Legislative Council meeting.

An official explanatory note states that it is proposed that the schedule of offences upon conviction of which a competent authority may order deportation be widened to include offences against the Foreign Ordinance, 1922; breach of an expulsion order (Vagrancy Ordinances, 1937) and offences in connection with illegal importation, exportation or possession of dangerous drugs (Dangerous Drugs Ordinance, 1935).

Under the principal Ordinance deportation may be ordered by a competent authority irrespective of the nature of the offence, where sentences of imprisonment aggregating over 18 months have been imposed. Clause 2 (b) substitutes 12 months for 18 months.

It is also proposed to amend subsection (d) section 8 so as to make it unnecessary to refer to the Governor a claim not to be an alien which has been accepted both by the Secretary for Chinese Affairs and the Attorney General and to clarify that both in such case and in a case where the Governor has decided to accept or reject a claim the competent authority shall act in conformity with the opinions given or decision taken.

Under the Juvenile Offenders Ordinance, 1932, provision is made for the detention of juveniles in lieu of imprisonment. There are numerous juvenile offenders who have no connection with the Colony and whose good behaviour as persons in the Colony can be found to guarantee.

If they remain in the Colony after release from detention they almost invariably commit fresh offences. It is accordingly desirable that in applying the provisions of the Deportation of Aliens Ordinance, 1933, such detention should be treated as equivalent to imprisonment. This is clarified by clause 2 (d).

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lighters three or four miles offshore.

The transport was last seen lying on its side, washed by the quick tides of the treacherous coast. Assault pilots saw no flag.

A U.S. Navy spokesman said that United Nations blockade forces on the West coast—under operational command of the British Navy—had not seen the transport arrive off Incheon.

Record sorties

The Marine Air Wing, flying off carriers, joined Navy and Air Force warplanes in the most concentrated strikes of the campaign yesterday.

McIntosh Mustangs and American fighters and bombers flew a record number of 550 sorties.

American pilots reported that the Communists—masters of camouflage—had added a new trick to their bag, which already includes tanks disguised as haystacks and ox-carts.

One pilot today reported a row of trees where no row was to be seen yesterday. American artillery kept up a light harassing fire during last night over the area close to the West bank of the Naklong River East of Taeju.

Most of the shelling was in a half-mile band in the river about 12 miles East of Taeju, where movements of North Korean troops had been reported.

An American Army observation plane was shot down in this area yesterday. The pilot was killed and a C-47, flying as an observer, seriously injured.

Forward troops say the plane crashed and crossed the river to rescue the injured man and recover the body of the pilot.

Refugee menace

Tens of thousands of Korean refugees crowded on the West bank of Naklong River were a constant problem to the American command, committed with the defence of Taeju.

Check points have been set up on the river and the refugees are screened as they cross during daylight.

Patrols of the 1st Cavalry Division are probing deep into the territory West of the river line in an attempt to discover the strength of the enemy forces which are massing for an assault on Taeju.

North Korean aircraft made an appearance in the capital sector today when a plane carrying lights strafed Masin about dawn. No change of hostilities were reported. Associated Press, Reuters and United Press.

FRESH AND SALT FISH PRICES

Average wholesale prices of fish in the week ended August 8, 1959.

Atlantic whiting, prices a cwt. Fresh fish, salt fish.

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JANUARY

(December 21—January 19)
Better plan anything of importance for either beginning or end of week. Intervening days may see plans temporarily hold up through lack of co-operation. End of week should bring a useful associate your way and possibly a new friend.

FEBRUARY

(January 20—February 18)
Change of routine seems likely end of week. But after Thursday speed up in business likely and may be dramatic developments in a scheme. A good week financially; windfalls possible round about the 10th.

MARCH

(February 19—March 20)
Tackle life from a new angle if possible. Though routine may drag, unusual schemes do well. Socially an important period; casual encounters may turn out to be important.

APRIL

(March 21—April 20)
This week may co-incide with far reaching changes in the family or place of residence. An association that began a few months ago may break suddenly before end of week. Travel probable in first few days.

MAY

(April 21—May 20)
Important to be on the move if you want to make progress or money this week. Follow up useful new contacts without delay. If journeys are likely to be beneficial, undertake them before end of week. Correspondence in next few days likely to have curious repercussions.

JUNE

(May 21—June 30)
Likely to be a pleasant and largely uneventful week. Better postpone entertaining or moving around until the last few days. An up and down week financially but you may be luckier than you expected to be on Thursday.

JULY

(June 21—July 20)
Chance to exercise what personal magnetism you possess in next few days. If you know what you want and can get your plans clear cut, there is a probability of realising a cherished ambition end of week. Family quarrels subside after Thursday.

AUGUST

(July 21—August 21)
You may be tantalised by mysterious comings and goings in your circle of friends and relatives. It is little use trying to get the truth of the matter till middle of next week. Best policy at the moment is to be patient and a little hardhearted with impecunious dependents.

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WHAT THE STARS FORETELL

By R.H. Naylor

In this weekly series of articles, one of the world's foremost experts in predicting the future gives his opinions on what you personally can expect in the weeks and months to come.

Look for your birth period below and find the general indications for the week. Note that these observations are made according to the Zodiacal Signs and do not exactly coincide with the Calendar Month. For example, January covers December 21-January 19.

SEPTEMBER

(August 22—September 22)
Stirring but pleasant news of a close friend may entail some revision of your own plans. A good week for social experiments and for anything that entails dealings with foreigners. Financially somewhat brighter outlook than of late.

OCTOBER

(September 23—October 23)
Important changes get a stingier fulfillment but it is unlikely that the decisive step would be taken until next week. Meanwhile much correspondence and possibly something to do with leases or legal documents in next few days. Take care you don't overspend end of week.

NOVEMBER

(October 24—November 23)
The entry of Mars into your Sun-Sign late in week should bring renewed energy and vitality. Better postpone schemes that need courage and hard work until end of week. Important news likely of a friend or relative at a distance.

DECEMBER

(November 23—December 20)
Looks as though you may get entangled in some family dispute and have little time for your own affairs. Better leave jobs of any magnitude or importance until Thursday. A lively week socially; take care you don't make enemies unnecessarily.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6: FOR MOST OF US: Stay somewhere near home or among familiar friends. A good day for fulfilling family duties, for reading or study for meditation. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Midnight Blue, 8, Jade.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: If you have devoted yourself to duty or to a much older relative of late you should reap your reward in 1950-51. During the coming 12 months sacrifices made in the last eight or 16 years would be likely to bring compensation. You should end this year with some substantial assets and a wider peace of mind.

Both in your personal and financial affairs the past will be important this year. It is worthwhile reviving schemes that you may have abandoned in the early stages of the war. Something that happened in 1942 or 1943 is likely to affect you closely in 1950.

It is a splendid year for dealing in land or property and for making slowly maturing investments. There is a very decided chance that you may benefit through legacies before you are much older. September of 1950 and January of 1951 are likely to be the eventful months.

However restless you may feel don't travel far this year. Instead make it a period of settling down and if you own your house plan improvements to it or to your garden. If you have many changes of residence recently, it looks as though you would find a congenial abode at last.

Much happiness lies ahead of you this year and if unmarried someone with whom you were associated years ago comes back into your life. Marriage is highly probable just before your next birthday. If already married you will have more to do than ever with relatives this year but the link-up should bring great satisfaction and happiness.

MONDAY, AUGUST 7: FOR MOST OF US: Don't let expenses get out of hand today. Some danger that you might be in difficulties unless you are careful. Good nevertheless for inter-

views and new schemes. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Apple Green, 4 Diamond.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Your birthday stars present a pretty problem for the astrologer this year. On the one hand it would obviously be better to follow a "safely first" policy in most matters. On the other hand, you are not likely to gain anything if you adopt such a purely negative line. Enterprise and originality would be well rewarded in 1950-51.

Probably your best course would be to go warily where money is concerned but to take risks in other ways. Make an attempt to keep overheads down at any rate until just before your next birthday. Early in the year go over both your personal and business budgets and count out superfluous items.

If you do this and at the same time make an effort to keep up-to-date and develop new ideas, all should be well with you this year. It should be a good period in which to make fresh contacts and to try out new schemes. You can hardly go wrong on original methods of advertising or publicity. Socially, too, new link-ups would be well worthwhile.

Though you may not have enough cash in hand to travel far this year, you will probably have a great deal to do with people from overseas. Also, if you have interests abroad develop them all you can this year.

Where new friends are concerned, it should be a very happy period. Your ideas will be stimulated and your horizon widened by the associations you make in the coming 12 months. But if planning marriage, don't be too optimistic. Settling up house may be an expensive and difficult project in the next few months.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 8: FOR MOST OF US: Banish worry and get on with the most interesting job in hand. Don't fuss over details this morning or worry about last week's blunders. Possibly much to do with strangers this afternoon. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Lavender, 7, Opal.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Though conditions may be somewhat depressing during the early months of your birthday year, it will be foolish to brood over them unduly. Insofar as you can, cut your losses and start again both in your work and in your personal life make this a time of fresh beginnings.

One long-standing association will be coming to and end in any case. It might be as well to make clean cut about September and then to try out new schemes or a new job in October. Both in that month and in June 1951 you have every chance of succeeding in a rather unusual project.

Finances may be a problem during the first few months of the year and again about January. Don't expect to collect money owing to you this year or to get any backing from older people.

chances, too, that you take up work that involves risk from machinery.

In your personal life it will be a stimulating period. Men appear to dominate the scene throughout the year. If now unmarried, either a whirlwind marriage or an intense love affair would probably materialise before Christmas. If already married, there may be dramatic but fortunate changes within the family.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 10: FOR MOST OF US: Difficult to make clear out arrangements today; allow for last minute alterations in your plans. Good portents though both for money-making and for social life. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Royal purple, 3, Amethyst.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Though you may be constantly baffled by the surprise turn to events this year, yet it should be an outstandingly prosperous period in existence. It would be difficult to plan far ahead, and again you will have to revise your arrangements at short notice. But most of these upsets will prove beneficial in the end.

It will be foolish to be too cautious or conservative this year. The more enterprising you are the more likely you are to do well. Particularly in February, March and July of 1951 would it be well to strike out on new lines and to take risks.

Financially it should be a better year than you have had for a long time. You make money in new schemes and also through "Gambler's luck." Windfalls of one kind and another will make your lot easier throughout the period.

But do be careful what you do with your money and whom you trust in 1950-51. Any troubles you may have will centre round the treachery of associates and employees. Someone closely connected with you is likely to play you false.

If already married, put money worries out of your mind this year. Both you and your family should prosper throughout 1950-51. If single, there may be startling developments in a close friendship towards Christmas time and perhaps a change of partner all round. So don't make hard and fast arrangements about marriage until early in 1951.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 11: FOR MOST OF US: Probably the easiest day of the week. Sensational developments unlikely but it should be possible to clear up outstanding jobs, establish a pleasant atmosphere. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Midnight Blue, 8, Dark Sapphire.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: Provided you do not ask too much of life, all should be well with you in 1950-51. This may not be a year of outstanding achieve-

ment or adventure, but it will probably be a time of quiet happiness and steady progress.

Tolerated will be your trump card throughout the year. However difficult your associates may be, be patient with them for a few months. You will see reward rather more quickly than you expected—probably soon after Easter 1951.

Financially, it should be a fortunate year in that you will be steadily accumulating assets. You may benefit through legacies or through relatives just before your next birthday.

It is a good period for taking up a course of study or for tackling anything that needs patience and careful thought. Also, if you have any specialised skill, acquired in the past, now is the time to make use of it. You should be able to "cash in" on past hard work.

Don't make changes at home unless you must. By the early days of 1951 you should be realising just how useful old friends can be and how valuable is a good family background. If single and thinking of marriage, consider linking up with an old sweetheart rather than a new one.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12: FOR MOST OF US: Somewhat contentious atmosphere this morning. Unexpected changes will probably upset tempers all round. Atmosphere during evening likely to be more agreeable and more peaceful. FOR LUCK TODAY WEAR OR USE: Pastel Shades, 6, Turquoise.

BIRTHDAY FORECAST: You have a good chance of getting what you want this year if you are prepared to fight for it. But better bear in mind that throughout 1950-51 life will probably be stormy and somewhat difficult. "Plums" are not likely to drop into your lap in the coming twelve months.

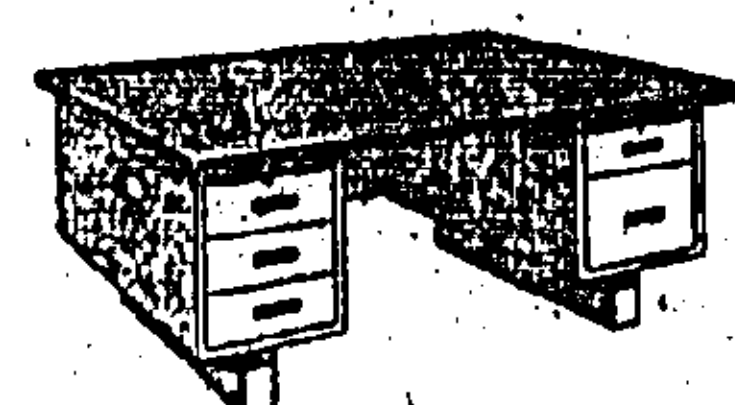
In business there will be a good deal of competition to face and it is essential to be up-to-date and adaptable. Don't worry if one scheme proves a failure; cut your losses and start again. Don't try to hang on to any association that is beginning to outwear its usefulness.

Financially you will have your ups and downs but on the whole it should be a profitable year. Your most prosperous period is due late in the year, probably just before your next birthday.

Don't take physical risks in 1950-51. If you travel, there is some likelihood that you may have to do so in connection with either your job or family business—take precautions against mishap. If you are responsible for young or unskilled people, be on the alert, particularly during October and November.

Though family and personal affairs may be at sixes and sevens for a while, a change in your life is probable early in 1951. This particular reshuffling will probably bring the lightening of some burden that has weighed heavily upon you and will result in an interesting new link-up and some unsought and unexpected happiness.

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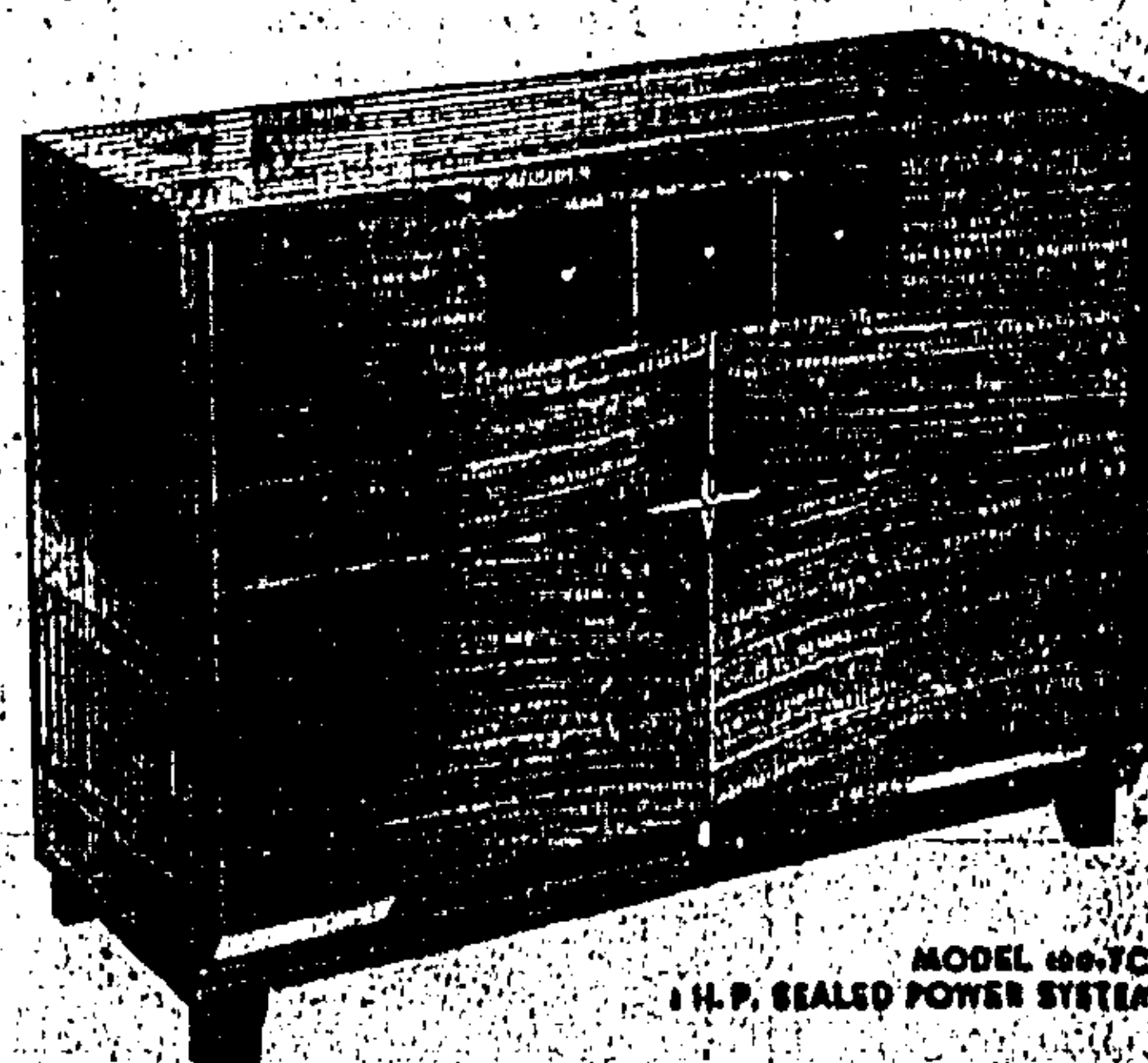
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RED ARMY STRATEGY IN EVENT OF WAR: EX-AGENT'S VERSION

Washington, August 4.

A former German espionage agent claims he has obtained information about the opening moves planned by Russia in case of war against the Western powers.

He described them recently in a series of articles in the newspaper "Die Zeit" of Hamburg, Germany. He also gave what he said were detailed descriptions of the Russian armed forces and military equipment.

QUEEN WANTS STATUS OF DP

Geneva, August 4.
 Ex-Queen Joanna of Bulgaria has approached the International Refugee Organisation to find out whether she is eligible for aid as a displaced person.

The Queen would have to find documents to the IRO in Geneva and fill in a fairly complicated questionnaire framed to determine, among other things, that she did not belong voluntarily to any organisation fighting the Allies in the second world war, that she was not of German ethnic origin, and that she had no war criminal record.

The 43-year-old widow of King Boris of Bulgaria, who was murdered during the war, has two children and was Princess Giovanna of Italy before marriage.

In June, a Rome court decreed that as one of the three surviving daughters of Victor Emmanuel, she should share in four-fifths of the confiscated property of the late King of Italy.

—Reuter.

The articles have been translated by the U.S. Congressional Library for the information of Congress and Government Intelligence agencies.

No American officials vouch for them, but military experts have found them of great interest and deem them worth studying.

"Die Zeit" is one of the oldest and best regarded newspapers in Germany. The article was signed "Nikolaus Eck." The editor of "Die Zeit" told the Associated Press this is a pen name used by the writer for the security of himself and his sources. The editor said Russian agents have called on him attempting to learn the identity of the writer.

This is Nikolaus Eck's story: In case of war the first Russian push will come from Thuringia, the German province in the South West section of the Russian occupation zone. A powerful force of tank divisions is stationed there. They will leap ahead in wedge-shaped formation North West towards the Rhine River to split the British and United States occupation forces.

Advance to Atlantic

The Thuringia forces are a part of the Russians' West army group, under the command of Marshal Rokossovski, who is also commander of Polish military forces.

The mission of this army group will be to advance to the Atlantic and form the southern arm of a pincer around the Baltic Sea.

The Northern arm of the pincers will be formed by the North West army group, under Marshal Voroshilov. Now stationed in the area from Leningrad to Murmansk, it will advance to the Atlantic through the Scandinavian countries.

The strategic plan is to seize the entire Baltic area, to prevent the Western powers from entering the sea and to enable Russia to use it as a base for submarine operations.

Two other army groups in the South will at the same time clamp a pincer around the Turkish Straits. The purpose of this will be to prevent Western naval forces from entering the Black Sea and to assure Russian naval forces access to the Mediterranean so that they can cut Allied communication lines to the Middle East oil sources.

Attack on Turkey

Seizure of the Mediterranean area would swallow up the big Near Eastern airfields, from which Allied bombers could attack Russian oil fields of the Caucasus and the Volga River valley and the industrial and military targets in the Ukraine.

The South army group will move into Turkey, Iran, Iraq, and Arabia. Stationed now on the Black and Caspian seas, it is under Marshal Baglamian.

The Northern pincers on the Straits will be closed by the South West army group, advancing through the Balkans and into Italy. It is now in the Ukraine and is probably commanded by Marshal Zhukov.

The Central Asian group, now stationed in Turkestan under Marshal Timoshenko, has the mission of advancing through Afghanistan to India.

The holding unit, the Siberian army group, under Marshal Malinovsky, will remain on the defensive, protecting the East coast and leaving the Far East offensive to the Chinese Communists.

No amphibious operations

It is unlikely that the Soviets will undertake any large-scale amphibious operations against Japan or North America in the foreseeable future, they lack

sufficient transport vessels and surface warships. The Soviet plan is simply to remain on the defensive, keeping open their "great Arctic Sea route" from the Atlantic to the Pacific five months a year.

Russian surface naval strength is concentrated primarily in the Baltic and Black seas. Among 110 vessels in the Baltic are eight cruisers and the old Czarist battleship, October Revolution.

Another battleship, Sovietetskiy, is being constructed at Solovki, in the Baltic. Two more, Sovietetskiy and Kirovskiy, are nearing completion at Archangel, on the White Sea. They are 30-knot ships and are reputed to have ramps for V weapons in addition to 30 guns.

In the Black Sea are 73 ships, including three cruisers and two battleships, useful only as floating coastal artillery.

In the Arctic are 102 surface vessels, chiefly minesweepers, torpedo boats and patrol craft. In the Pacific are 25 destroyers and torpedo boats.

The Russian schooners called "miners" are strong-hulled iron ships that can be used as minesweepers or patrol craft and can carry anti-aircraft weapons.

The Russians now have 300 submarines and 120 more are under construction. Of existing subs, 25 are in the Baltic, 55 in the Black Sea, 40 in the Arctic and 70 in the Pacific. —Associated Press.

U.S.-VATICAN RELATIONS

Washington, August 5.
 President Truman said today that the question of abolishing formal diplomatic relations with the Vatican was under study.

The President said at his weekly Press conference that the office of the President's personal representative to the Vatican, which was created by President Roosevelt, had no appointment along with the lines was being considered following the resignation of the previous personal representative of the President, Mr. Myron Taylor. —Reuter.

Rediffusion

A.M. — Up With The Sun.
 8.00 — Piano Music.
 8.15 — News & Weather Forecast.
 8.30 — Morning Music.
 9.00 — News & Weather Forecast.
 9.15 — Sunday Variety.
 10.00 — Sunday Morning Music.
 10.15 — Claude Thornhill and his Orch.
 10.30 — Church Services.
 11.00 — News & Weather Forecast.
 11.15 — Sunday Melodies.

P.M. — Songs of India.
 12.15 — Music by Paul Weston.
 12.30 — Lunch Time Music.
 1.00 — News & Weather Report.
 1.15 — Popular Concert.
 1.30 — Take It From Here.
 1.45 — The Splice of Life (Variety).
 2.00 — Grims in Ensemble.
 2.15 — Curran Galla.
 2.30 — Sunday Serenade.
 2.45 — The Evelyn Knight Show.
 3.00 — Just For You.
 3.15 — The Orchestra Programme.
 3.30 — Songs of the Nations.
 3.45 — Listen to Leibel (Gillian-Philos).
 4.00 — B.D.C. News.
 4.15 — Local News.
 4.30 — The Super-Cola Programme.
 4.45 — Eastern Caravan.
 5.00 — Invitation To The Waltz.
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 Scottish Yard officers today carried out a surprise security check-up on hundreds of workmen at the House of Commons in the first big-scale operation there since the recent wave of sabotage in Britain.

The big check-up was traced to reports that new evidence of sabotage had been uncovered at Parliament, where telephones and the water supply were damaged a week ago.

The Police scrutinized the credentials of every workman engaging on the construction of the new chamber for the House of Commons. —United Press.

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 10.15 — Relay of the Celebration of Mass from St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road, broadcast by the Rev. Father A. Cooney, S.J.

11.15 — Organ Interlude.
 11.20 — Harry Davidson and His Orch.
 11.30 — A Light Spanish Programme with Vocal.

P.M.
 12.00 — Sports Time — By Bill Phillips (Studio).
 12.10 — "Home Kone Calling" — Programme Summary.
 12.20 — Jimmy Lynch and His New Organists.
 12.25 — Music and Song of George Germain.

1.15 — News, Weather Report and Announcements.
 1.30 — Afternoon Concert (Soloist) Jancy Moffat.
 2.00 — "Take It From Here" — With Roy Nichols, Ben Bailey and Jimmy Edwards (DUETS).
 2.30 — Jazz Half Hour — Introduced by Graham Baxby (Studio).
 3.05 — "Hopalong" Requests — Presented by Pauline Spence (Studio).
 4.00 — El Alamein Concerto (Albert Arlen).
 4.10 — Short Story: "The Stranger at the Red Lion, Writings and Read by Richard Hilder (Studio) (DUETS).
 4.30 — "Songs of the Range" With Bing Crosby.

4.45 — Film: Memories of Deanna Durbin and Kenny Baker.
 5.00 — "Home Kone Calling" — Presented by "Hopalong" (Studio).
 5.10 — "Home Kone Calling" — Programme Summary.

5.45 — "Hopalong" Requests — Conducted by the Rev. J. Barker, S.J. (Studio).
 6.30 — "Time for Music" — B.D.C. Midland Light Orch. (DUETS).
 7.00 — "We Sing for You" — Eleanor Barker (Soprano) and Lucile Ford (Tenor).
 7.15 — Weekly News-Letter (London Relay).
 7.30 — "Dinner Music".

8.00 — World News and News Analysis (London Relay).
 8.15 — "Looking Ahead" — A Review of the Week's Programmes (Studio).
 8.30 — "A Play" — "The Skeleton Key" — by Audrey Windsor (Studio) (DUETS).
 9.00 — "From the Editorials" (London Relay).
 9.10 — Weather Report.
 9.15 — Interlude.

9.30 — Radio Hong Kong "Film" concert: Beethoven's Concerto No. 5 in F Major, Op. 72, "The Emperor" Arthur Schnabel (Piano) and the Philharmonia Orch. Conducted by Sir John Barbirolli. (Studio).
 10.00 — News & Weather Report.
 10.15 — "Looking at Britain" — "Lovers' Runes" Narrator: Hal Jones. (DUETS).
 10.45 — Songs Memorize.
 11.00 — Radio News Reel (London Relay).
 11.15 — Weather Report.
 11.30 — Dialogue — Conducted by the Rev. Father J. Garland S.J. (Studio).
 11.45 — Save the Kiss.
 11.50 — Close Down.

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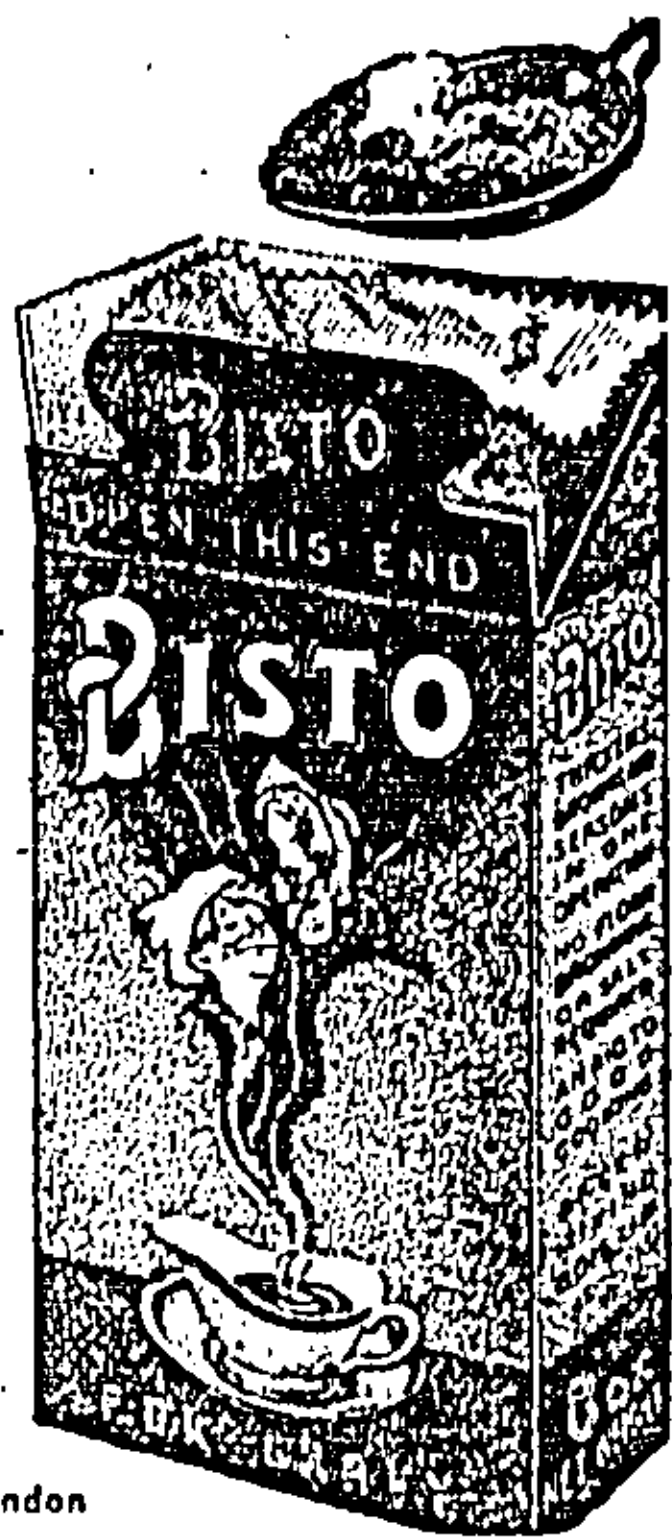
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LEOPOLD PARTY SPLIT

Brussels, August 4.

A split in the ranks of the ruling Catholic Party threatened today to torpedo the three-Party agreement, to ease King Leopold from the throne, and to plunge divided Belgium into a second round of nationwide rioting and sabotage.

EFFECT OF REARMING ON THE UK

London, August 4.

The British rearmament programme will mean a doubling of present output of defence equipment and stores in this country.

It will call for a big reorganisation in industry, particularly in the engineering trades. The Government is understood to have decided that it represents the maximum contribution which Britain can make without affecting morale in this country or the reputation of Britain in the world.

It is regarded as meaning, inevitably, increases in British imports and cuts in British exports with a serious effect on the balance of payments position.

The British Government does not intend to proceed with the implementation of the plan until it has learned how far Washington is able to give the assistance hoped for. But, meanwhile, the increases in defence preparation which had been announced earlier in the House of Commons will be carried forward at top speed.

The rearmament plan is essentially conceived for peace-time defence and not for the prosecution of a war. Any drastic use of powers of requisitioning plant or directing labour was, therefore, ruled out.

It is expected that the capital rearmament programme will now be cut and there will be some immediate effect on consumption. Some luxuries may disappear because production would be diverted to keep export earnings up.

It is not yet clear where cuts in home consumption will be felt first.—Reuter.

A plan to set up a permanent United Nations children's welfare organisation was approved by the Social Committee of the Economic and Social Council here today.

The plan provides for the uninterrupted continuation and development of the activities of the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund.—Reuter.

The Prime Minister, Jean Duvieux, called a closed meeting of the Socialist Christian Party of the House of Representatives to explain the circumstances which had led up to the agreement.

The meeting came after the widening split in the post-ponement of a Lower House session due to the bill authorising the King to transfer his Royal powers to 10-year-old Prince Baudouin.

M. Duvieux was reported to have told Catholic delegates that the Party at no time had deserted the King's cause in reaching an agreement with the Socialists and Liberals.

It was Leopold himself who made the decision, faced with Socialist threats of civil war.

Catholic sources said many Socialist Christian deputies were determined to vote against the bill despite the Prime Minister's statement and there were reports that pro-Leopold Royalists from the North were planning a week-end march on the capital.

Although a special Parliamentary committee found 20 votes to two to approve the bill authorising Leopold to delegate his powers to his son, the fact that two Catholic members opposed the move indicated a difficult passage for the bill when it comes before the House on Tuesday.

The split could wreck the three-Party agreement and start again the wave of strikes, violence and sabotage that engulfed the nation during 10 days following Leopold's return to the throne on July 22.—United Press.

HO CHI-MINH'S PEACE TERMS

Paris, August 4.

Ho Chi-minh, head of the Communist-led nationalist Viet-minh movement in Vietnam, said in an interview published here today that the total evacuation of Vietnam by French troops was an absolute condition for the opening of negotiations.

The interview was printed in the Communist evening newspaper "Le Soir".

Asked what he thought about the "new" open intervention of the Government of the United States in the affairs of Vietnam, Ho Chi-minh said that this intervention was anti-democratic and would certainly meet with the same fate as in China.—Reuter.

Briton and American go over to Reds

Berlin, August 4.

One British and one American soldier today sought political asylum in the Soviet sector of Berlin, the West German news agency reported.

The Briton was said to be John Keith Waller and the American Private Robert Nitzskula.

At a Press conference the American appealed to his former comrades to desert the Army and join him in the Soviet Zone. A British military spokesman stated later that the British soldier had been missing from his unit since May this year.—Reuter.

NEHRU'S MOTION APPROVED

New Delhi, August 4.

The Indian Parliament today adopted a motion by the Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru, approving the Government's Korea policy.

"At no time have we been neutral and at no time do we propose to be neutral," Mr. Nehru declared in Parliament today, replying to a two-day debate on Indian attitude toward the Korean situation.

India's policy was not to commit herself previously to follow a certain line, he said, adding, "Our policy is independence of action. That is to say, at any particular moment we decide for ourselves what is possible in our interest and in the interest of world peace."

The Prime Minister was answering criticism from some members that, in dealing with the Korean situation, India had neglected her policy of neutrality.

"There is no question of my having left a policy of neutrality. I never had it," he said.

Parliament passed amidst cheers a motion asking the Government to approve of India's Korea policy.

Referring to a "warning to India" given by a member against "dollar imperialism," Mr. Nehru said that young Americans were fighting in Korea were not taking part in "dollar diplomacy or any other intrigue."

"They are fighting for what they imagine to be in furtherance of the United Nations or their country's effort in the right direction. For us sitting comfortably at home to criticise them or their country, or for that matter the opposite party there, is just not good," Mr. Nehru added.—Reuter.

BRITISH WOMEN MAKE APPEAL

London, August 4.

Well known British women today sent an appeal to the Greek Prime Minister, General Plastiras, for the immediate release of 6,000 women and children in the concentration camp on the Greek island of Markonessis.

The 23 signatories were headed by Lady Trevelyan, wife of a former Minister of Education, Lady H. Montagu, Secretary of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, and Dame Elizabeth Cadbury, former President of the National Council of Women.—Reuter.



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MACARTHUR'S POLICY WORRIES WASHINGTON

Washington, August 4.

Sources said today that one of the principal reasons for the hurried visit to Tokyo of Mr. W. Averell Harriman, President Truman's special assistant on foreign policy, was to try to bring about closer agreement between General Douglas MacArthur and Washington on policy matters, particularly Taiwan.

Mr. Harriman, accompanied by two military officers, left Washington early today for Tokyo. He is expected to be back here in the middle of next week.

It is understood that top policy officials in Washington are becoming increasingly concerned lest General MacArthur commit the United States more deeply in the defence of Taiwan than is intended at this time.

General MacArthur's visit to Taiwan and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek early this week, with the resultant statements by Chiang and General MacArthur, caused considerable concern in some official quarters here.

It was learned that the State Department had not been advised of General MacArthur's intended visit—or of the statement which he later made. This statement, together with that of Chiang, was interpreted in some quarters as committing the United States to renewed intervention in the Chinese civil war.

General MacArthur said after visiting Chiang that "arrangements have been completed for effective co-ordination between the American forces under my command and those of the Chinese Government better to meet any attack which a hostile force might be foolish enough to attempt."

Ground forces

Chiang said that in his talks with General MacArthur the "foundation for joint defence of Taiwan and for Sino-American

military co-operation has thus been laid. It is our conviction that our struggle against Communist aggression will certainly result in final victory."

Neither statement contained any indication of the qualification which President Truman placed on his action in placing the American Seventh Fleet off Taiwan—namely, it was a neutralising action designed to prevent an attack by either side, Nationalist or Red, on the other. It was believed in some circles here the United States is also contemplating becoming involved on the ground in Taiwan. This impression worries many people here.

It was admitted in authoritative quarters that the United States may send some arms to Chiang, thus reversing the earlier policy. However, it was emphasised that such assistance will be sent only if it is believed necessary to carry out the President's plan for neutralising Taiwan until the Korean conflict is settled.

Top officials vehemently deny there is any indication that the United States may again take up the cudgels for Chiang against the Chinese Reds.

Top officials feel they will need better co-ordination with General MacArthur if they wish to counteract impressions that the United

States is going to become involved again in the Chinese civil war. That's why Mr. Harriman was sent to Tokyo.—United Press.



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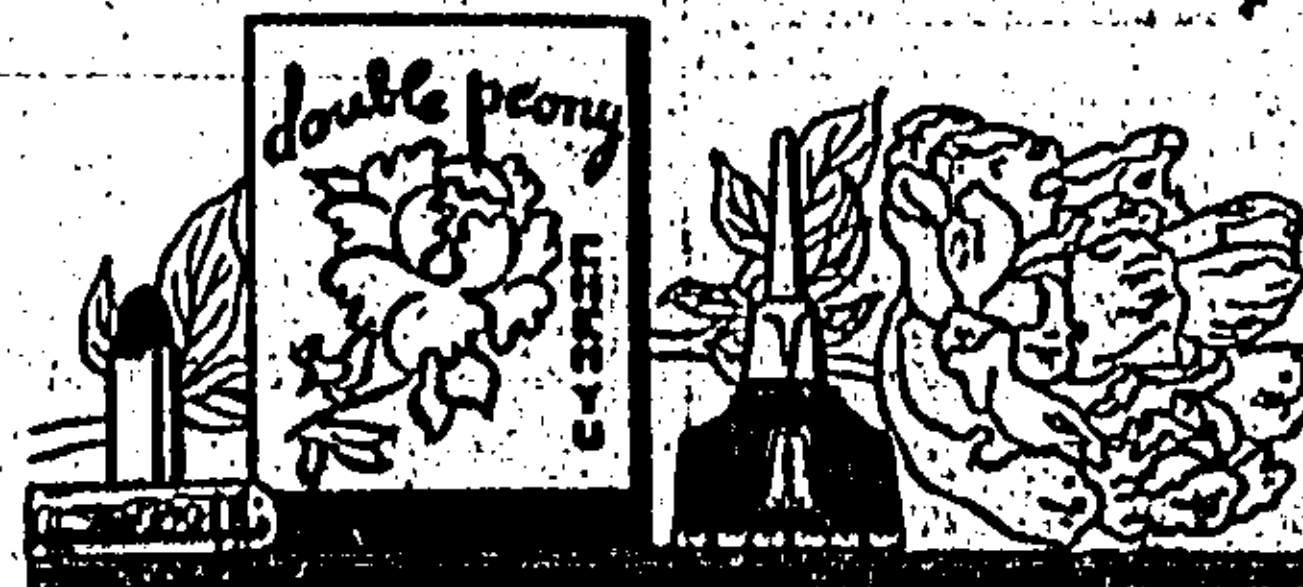
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MILITARY YEN IN ARABIA!

Manila, August 4.

Here's a problem for the International Monetary Fund if it ever gets around to it:

How to redeem or otherwise cash in for usable money, Philippine National Bank notes issued by the Japanese during the occupation of Mindanao and allegedly circulated in Jidda, Arabia, by Filipino Mohammedan pilgrims.

A Department of Foreign Affairs source here said the circulation of Japanese occupation notes in far off Arabia came to light when an inquiry was received from the Arabian Government about the method of redeeming them in the Philippines.

Several hundred Filipino Mohammedan pilgrims, passed through Jidda a year ago on their way to Holy Mecca, and another group is about to sail from the Southern Islands, which comprise the Mohammedan colony of the Philippines.

According to the Foreign Affairs financial source here the notes cannot be redeemed in the Philippines as no law covers such cases.

The notes were said to have been taken to Mindanao by the late Commissioner Teopisto Guingona of that island where the Japanese subsequently selected them for occupation currency circulation. After the war the Government ordered the notes to be burned but somehow they escaped the bonfire.

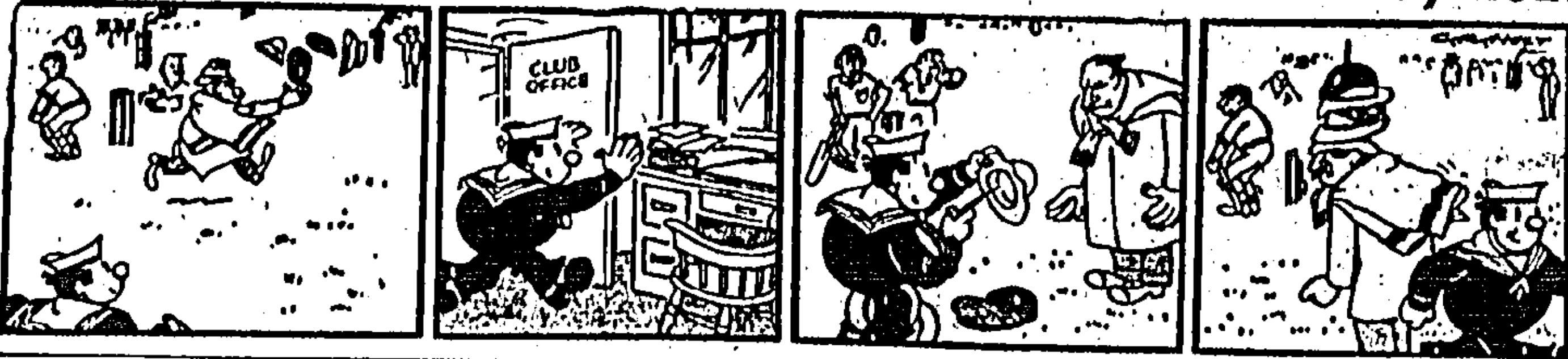
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Behind the political scene

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Your life and Mine

by IRIS ASHLEY

Flying in at night over the myriad, multi-coloured lights of New York is like watching a gigantic fire-work display.

But you are looking down instead of up, and it gives the odd impression that you are landing right among the stars. Which, in this amazing city, maybe, has a certain truth at that.

By boat the trip from Bermuda to New York takes two days and two nights. I, however, packed my wet swim-suit at 5 p.m., walked aboard a plane at 6.30, and sat down to a late dinner at New York's famous Stork Club at 11 p.m. ... having taken time to park my luggage and change my dress first.

In New York you don't so much do things as have them happen to you. My first morning call was at the hairdresser, where your assistant is known as an "operator". The term is very apt.

"It's got a bit long and unruly being by the sea ... I murmured. "It's sure has," agreed the girl crisply, and whipped a neat array of surgical-looking instruments out of a drawer.

At this moment the manicurist picked up my hand and said: "This brown-looking varnish you have on is simply terrible."

"Oh," I said weakly, "what do you recommend?" She didn't waste time recommending anything. What I needed, she told me, was a true red; and proceeded to give me what she figured I needed without further frivolous comment.

Possibly I could have fought back, but I was enjoying being the victim of such powers of decision.

It is fun being revolutionised once in a while; it makes you feel very fancy indeed.

The whole of New York is very fancy for that matter. It is all so bright and shining and there is so MUCH of everything.

Nylon abounds in the most delectably delicate-looking garments for women, including dresses, and also there are shirts for men. When you wash out these frills and furbelows, hang them up, and with no more ado they appear like new ... you simply can't believe your eyes.

Now that it is warm outside, I did, and I can vouch that though she washes it eight times a week it still feels as soft as a baby's. Nice baby!

T. S. Eliot's play, "The Cocktail Party," is still the snob success of the season and looks like keeping its English company here forever.

Also a report with pleasure that attractive Eileen Peel, who plays the part of the wife here, has taken the town by storm.

The all-powerful newspaper columnists here have labelled Miss Peel one of the most elegant and best-dressed women in New

York. The nice part is that she has refused to become in the least Americanised, and her clothes and personality represent British export at its best!

The fast and furious pace here has given a new meaning to the saying that "Silence is Golden."

Up on the Hudson River is a place where women go to get Away From It All. The idea is to rest and lose weight (but mostly the women can only spare a weekend!).

No telephoning is allowed before evening, no radio or television—it's supposed to be too exciting. No food, just something to drink every two hours—varying from vegetable or fruit juice to slightly sweetened almond milk.

I am assured by a lady who has been there that these drinks are most pleasingly served in containers and on trays which are coloured according to the drink—tomato juice on pale green, etc.

As the clients pay about 25 a day to be little else but soothed, it sounds a nice business to own.

No one can deny that New York is a very exhilarating place, but quite a lot of people do manage to live fairly quietly without locking themselves away.

Thousands and thousands are doing now: Sitting in a penthouse roof garden, watching the sun set behind the skyline of Manhattan, and wondering how anything so four-square, so man-made, so relentlessly steel and concrete, could be so touchingly beautiful in the evening light.

Not afraid of the truth

Mr. Attlee, is after all, the head of Britain's administration, which, as Lady Violet Bonham Carter sweetly observed the other day, "is a poor thing, but our own."

The Prime Minister has a good deal to explain to us. Mr. Churchill, in his powerfully concise review of Socialism's "fearful accountability. And, indeed, too many unthinking voters have been taken as much by surprise by the latest revelations of tardily apprehended international danger as once were the Ladies of Cranford by the failure of their Joint Stock Bank.

They have had a lesson in the unwisdom of putting their trust unquestionably in the Government, while, for its turn, the Government should have had a lesson in the unwisdom of refusing to "trust the people."

Lame passage

For if that political slogan of Lord Randolph Churchill meant anything, as to few such slogans do, it meant that the truth should be trusted with the truth rather than that statesmen should unquestionably trust the people's judgment.

In one of his latest passages of his two broadly commendable interventions in the Defence debate, Mr. Shinnell, the best Minister of Defence we have had since Mr. Churchill, in order to justify the folly of giving British let secrets to Russia, said, "Nobody three years ago expected that we should have to prepare for a major conflict."

On the contrary, anybody in possession of the barest facts knew by then that only preparation to defend ourselves in a major conflict could remove the growing danger of such a conflict.

"I must warn the country most seriously," added the Prime Minister in his turn, "that the more hopeful condition of a few months ago no longer rules."

Who reported it or was it merely some foolish, wishful hunch on the part of Socialist windbags windy of a public opinion they had led in misleading?

It is of course, true that, as Mr. Churchill said, "only two months ago there was a different atmosphere. All these matters, quite wrongly, seemed outside the range of ordinary politics and daily life."

Growing perils

But whose fault was that if not that of the politicians—in and out of office whose task it is to assist in forming the climate of opinion? One can only guess at the difference of emphasis which might have been detected over the past five years in Mr. Churchill's own speeches if he had himself been less concerned with what he calls "ordinary politics."

At rare intervals he made interventions of magisterial statesmanship and warned of the growing perils now visible to all, but his words met the "sales resistance" whipped up by his peculiar capacity for furthering in the field of "ordinary politics" the unity he can form in the field of "extraordinary politics."

In power he might have achieved much, where seeking power he has achieved little. Out of power, however, and as Elder Statesman in semi-retirement available for recall to office on urgent or sudden demand, no might regularly have been heard

and heeded with the due respect which the two post-war Parliaments have too rarely accorded him. But Britain is a constitutional parliamentary democracy, and Tory morale, uncertain after its 1945 defeat, required vigorous and uncompromising leadership which seemed at that time nowhere else in sight, and therefore these wistful reflections about the might-have-been are probably idle.

We have to deal with the present situation, and for that the responsibility lies fairly and squarely on the shoulders of the Labour Party Administration. That Government, in alliance with America, has a splendid opportunity from 1945 onwards to thwart Soviet ambitions to bring the world, step by step, under the Communist heel, but preferred to place irresistible temptations rather than irresistible deterrents in Stalin's way.

Mr. Attlee's failure to awaken either his party or his country to the dangers while there was time to spare must be held the more lamentable in that of all Tory or Labour statesmen he was privately one of the first to appreciate that timidly and apathetically on our part would greatly facilitate Stalin's violent designs upon our threshold peace and freedom.

Mr. Attlee, who was so forward in his denunciation of the Baldwin era, was found to accept without question the defeatist Baldwinian assumption that parliamentary democracies must always lag in the sphere of action and particularly of military action, at least two years behind the totalitarian autocracies or oligarchies.

Russia rescued

And so for the years after Anglo-American power had first rescued Russia from certain defeat at German hands and then delivered Europe and Asia from Axis control, the Soviet's rulers profited from the licence extended to them by war-weariness and comfort-hungry democracies whose leaders continued with crossed fingers to "feel sure" that Communism could not, like Nazism, actually mean to do the nasty things it had always said it meant to do.

A lot of people who should know better claim now to be surprised and puzzled at the Russian decision to return to the Security Council. It would have been more reasonable to have shown surprise at Russia's failure to have done so a month or so ago when she might have vetoed the action now being taken in Korea.

Russia cannot now veto retrospectively anything that has already been done. But she has, under the existing rules, her position and the veto that goes with it to stir up quarrels over



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China and Formosa, and to make further concert of action by the anti-Communist Powers in the Far East under UN aegis almost impossible.

Warnings in this space about the dangers of overreliance on UN procedure and form in the attempted containment of Russian aggression by the Atlantic Powers and their Allies have thus justified themselves too rapidly for comfort, for Anglo-American policy is not at present flexible enough to meet the complications of even such obvious emergencies.

Soviet mouthpiece

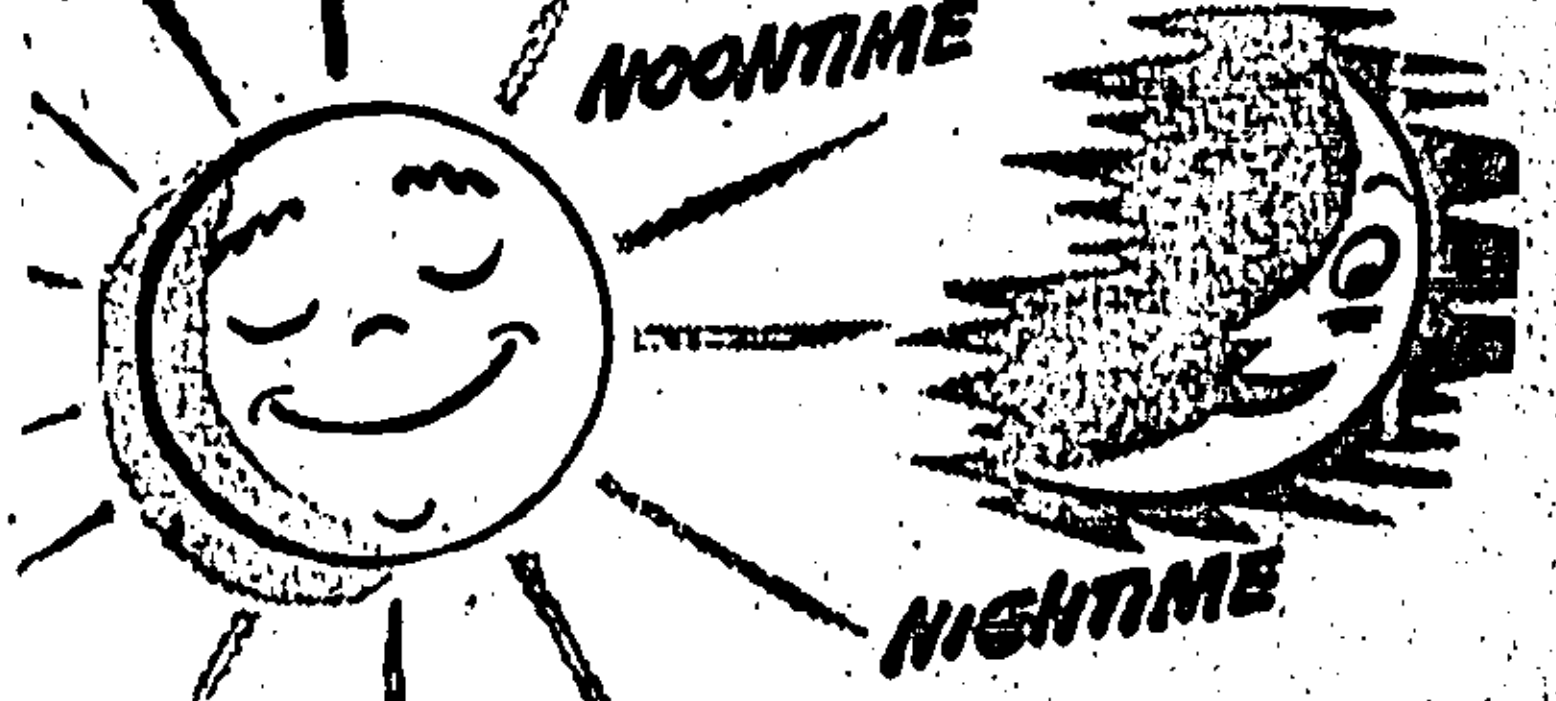
Mr. Ilya Ehrenburg ("that unspeakable Ehrenburg" as Lenin once disgustedly exclaimed of him) said in London last week that "Britain and France are physically and morally incapable of waging war." Stalin should not listen to this lucky, whose great frustration is that he cannot be either, Gorki or a Goebbels.

Mr. Ehrenburg should have attended the House of Commons. He would have found beneath the party incivilities a growing unity between Tory and Socialist. He would have heard, of all people, a friend of Mr. Driberg, the extreme Left-winger Mr. Woodrow Wyatt, urging the Government to announce, with the Americans, that the atom bomb will be used immediately against Russian targets in the event of fresh aggression in Europe, even at the risk of British cities, such as London and Birmingham, being obliterated in retaliation.

If Britain can take that risk without flinching for a further five years while America multiplies her production of the atom bomb and its armed carriers, then the time may be said to make Europe strong enough to make Russia stay at home and mend her ways.

I can be done if politicians will dare to order the action that, despite their earlier evasions, has always been economically possible. Party political expediency, under Attlee as under Baldwin, has sent us all drifting towards a defeat which would bring death to the lucky and despair and misery to all but the soulless.

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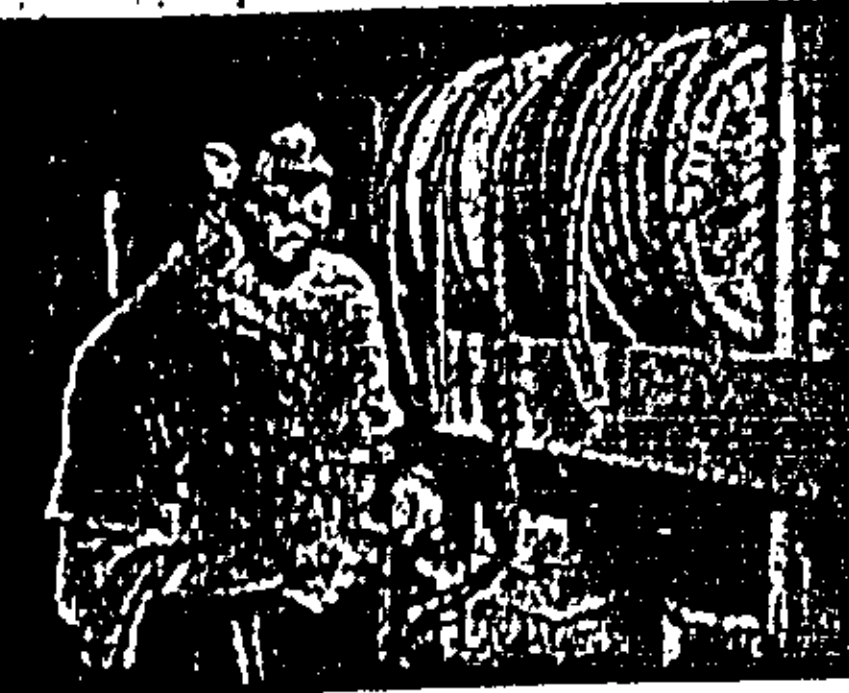
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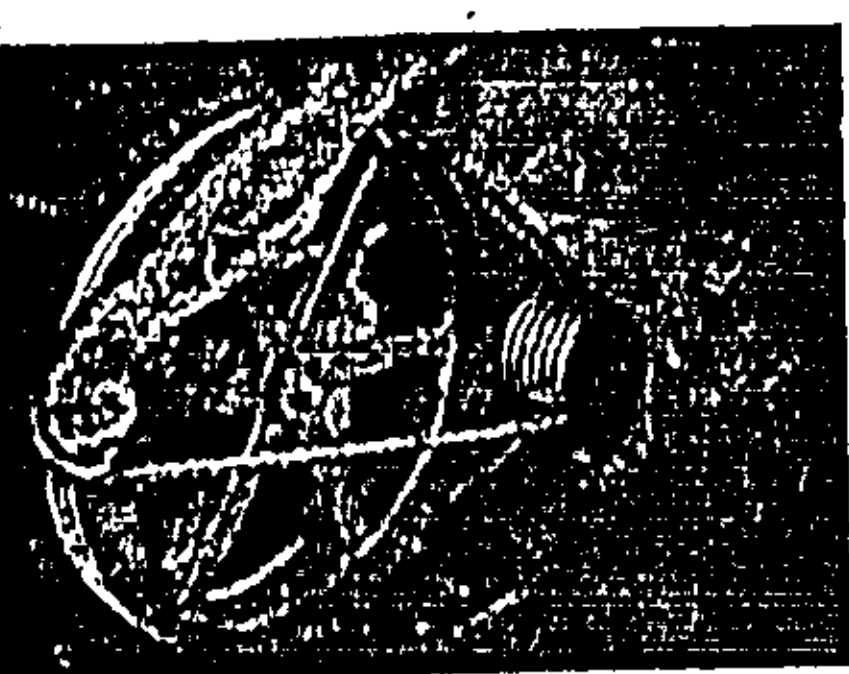
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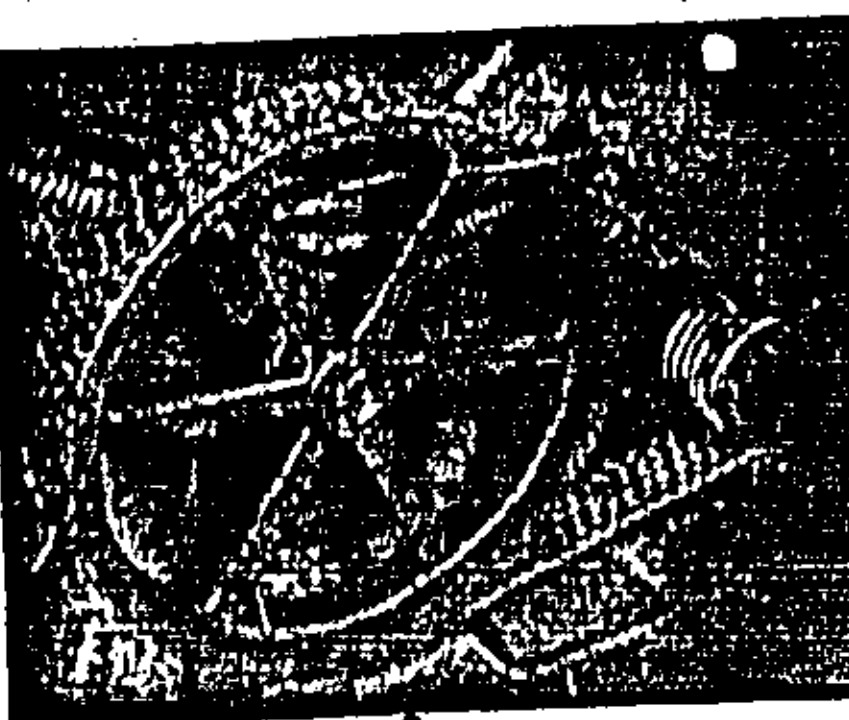
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Secrets of Chinese music

Mr. Harold Powers, a young American composer, has come to Hong Kong to solve a riddle that has been plaguing him for some time. He is anxious to discover for himself the exact relationship between Western and Chinese music, and whether Chinese music is interpretable in the Occidental medium.

He arrived here early last week, and will not remain long in the Colony. He plans to return to the United States via Japan, and will proceed immediately to Princeton University to complete his studies. He will go to Princeton on a scholarship.



MR. HAROLD POWERS.

His trip to Hong Kong forms part of the first Far Eastern journey he has ever made. On the road since last March, he has visited Australia, Indonesia, the Malayan Federation, French Indo-China, and now Hong Kong. All this he has found completely absorbing. His travels have enabled him to realise that the human family is basically indivisible. The Australians seem to him very much like the Americans, and the Chinese are really not much different from the Malays.

Mr. Powers is a New Yorker. He was born in the big city, and went to school there. Young and inevitably egotistic, he breathes the spirit of enterprise which has made New York—like London—synonymous with some of the most vociferous impulses in the world.

Music has been his chief interest from an early age, although he did not acquire this taste from his parents. He began to write music when he was eight years old, but never actually finished anything until he was 15. Talking about this at his hotel the other day, Mr. Powers told me that he has composed about half a dozen pieces for small combinations of instruments, and has not specialised in any particular type of music.

None of his works has been performed publicly in New York, but school orchestras and chamber music groups have occasionally featured them on their programmes. He is largely an instrumentalist, and has a habit of making much use of the percussions.

He said that despite the constant resort to clashing of cym-

bals and banging of gongs, despite the falsetto high-pitch of the Cantonese sopranos and their bewildering emphasis on screeching, he has detected certain distinct melodies in Chinese music. He feels that buried deep somewhere within the turmoil of all its noise, lingers a faint streak of pure music in Chinese opera. He believes that the attraction of Chinese opera does not lie in the gaudiness of the costumes or the forlorn bareness of the stage, but in the indefinable magic of its music which rings true despite a mad confusion of sound.

The essential quality of this magic remains elusive to most Western ears, but Mr. Powers is convinced that careful study of its esoteric significance will reveal its relationship to Western music as a whole. He feels that Chinese opera is now at the stage where the English theatre was in Elizabethan times. Because the germ of purity is there, bawdiness will give way to beauty in the end.

A rare exhibition

An exceptionally representative array of modern European paintings will be put on view at the Jacobean Room of the Hong Kong Hotel on Tuesday and Thursday.

The exhibition will consist of 36 oils, seven watercolours, and 10 palette-knife paintings on wood. This collection was assembled by a distinguished Chinese resident of Hong Kong, who has just returned from a trip to Europe. When he was there, he visited country by country, picking up choice items by modernists which impressed him in the galleries of London, Paris, and Rome.

As preparations were under way on Friday for this week's showing, the owner—who prefers to describe himself simply as the "Master of Chiu Yin Chai"—invited me to his home on Stubbs Road for a special preview. The exhibits were arrayed along the walls of his study, and numbers were being passed on their backs. I was immediately charmed by the tone of gaiety and colour which featured them all. Here were splendid examples of modern art, all of which conveyed a sense of beauty which the surrealists and impressionists of the late '20's had tried so hard to destroy.

The exhibits were mainly of French origin—a tribute to the post-war enthusiasm of young Parisians—who are producing more pictures of fine quality by the year than they ever did. There were only a few nudes in the collection, but these were executed by Robert Dufos, who has been accepted by many critics in London as a capable exponent of the human form. I was particularly struck by the faun-like grace he imparted to a picture of a nude reclining on a settee before a mirror, entitled "Beauty at Rest." He did not lose a single contour of the soft lines of the human form in quiet, restful relaxation.

"Mooncape," by the Englishman Carthart, captures the shimmering glitter of the sea in twilight.

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

By The SCRIBE

light. With only four colours—and two of these a shade of grey—the artist has conveyed a remarkable impression of wind, water, and daylight on the wane. The watercolours in the collection were all bright and gay. They were beguiling in this sense: they reproduced none of the pathos and despair which have featured European life in the last decade, but concentrated on the outward symbolisms of Nature.

A charming watercolour by the Italian, Montezzi-Frenzi, showed the wife of a gondolier in Venice offering a flower to a Madonna on her altar in the midst of a lagoon, to intercede for her husband's protection during the day. The miniatures on wood by palette-knife were highly technical. Palette-knife reproductions are always involved, and appreciation of them grows with time.

The collection gave me the impression that art goes far—as Prosper Merimee used to say—in returning to Europe. The exhibits suggested that after a decade of confusion in art, which resulted in a sense from the confusion of ideals which assailed pre-war Europe, purity of treatment is on the way back.

Simplicity is the keynote of the show—but it is a simplicity which protends great things.

World-famous correspondent

After an interlude of three weeks in Hong Kong, Mr. John Gunther, the well-known American writer, will emplane tomorrow morning for Bangkok. Mr. Gunther will be accompanied by his wife.

He arrived in the Colony three weeks ago, and while here he



MR. JOHN GUNTHER

was a guest of Mr. Cornelius V. Starr, the American businessman, at the air-conditioned Starr mansion on the South Bay.

While the Gunthers originally came here for a short holiday, this plan was altered when it transpired that the author would have to work doubly hard to complete his new book.

Several appointments to see me were cancelled by him as pressure of work dented him any leisure.

While Mrs. Gunther went out to lunch with friends or to shop curioes, he buried himself in the study of the Starr home and in all these weeks he made no more than two or three trips to town. The new book is to deal once more with Asia—General MacArthur's Japan, and the tragic post-war developments which have blazed such a trail of misery into the lives of millions.

Now 49 years of age, Mr. Gunther is regarded in the United States as one of America's leading journalists. He has covered the world thoroughly in books which brought millions of readers inside Europe, Asia, Latin America and the United States.

His style is vigorous, and no incident is dismissed without painstaking reference to books and publications indicated subse-

quently in the index. His reviews of the countries he has visited are usually concise distillations of the countries' immediate political past, and the probable nature of the roles they will play in the immediate future on the world's stage.

His memory is phenomenal, and his output of words prodigious. While he avoids the dull rigmarole of historical text-books, his books are in many ways a panorama of history as it is being made.

He is sincerely impersonal in his treatment of the world's problems, but many Latin American nations were critical of his approach to them. The story is often told of his habit of writing up a country while in an aeroplane en route to another, but people who have seen Mr. Gunther at work, who have observed the arduous nature of his research, know that flippancy is the least of his qualities.

He is perhaps the most widely travelled journalist in the world today. After graduating from the University of Chicago, he was stationed successively at Paris, Rome, Geneva, Berlin, Moscow, Vienna and London. From 1924 to 1936 he was a foreign correspondent of the "Chicago Daily News."

Leaving London, he spent two years visiting India, China and Japan. In India he secured interviews with Gandhi and Mr. Nehru and wrote even then that Britain would surrender her control of the subcontinent. He astonished Indian society by adopting the same tactics towards the Maharajah and the Untouchable slouching beneath an arch in Delhi.

Mr. Gunther produced three novels before he realised that his true forte consisted in reporting the world to the world. Since the appearance of his first non-fictional work—"Inside Europe", which appeared in 1936 and was an immediate best-seller—he has written other "Insides" which, one by one, encompassed all the continents of the world with the exception of Africa.

Mr. Gunther remains modest and retiring despite his success. All that he is owes to hard work, a knack for remembering names, dates, and places, and a warm personality which attaches a common denominator to kings, presidents and the man in the street.

Interpreter of Lied music

Madame Ligia Pinto Ribeiro, wife of the Director of Medical Services in Macao, will come to Hong Kong early next month to give a recital of Lied music.

She is well-known in Mozambique, Portugal and Macao as a soprano of considerable merit, and she attracted much attention when she was here two months ago for a special recital held

under the auspices of the Portuguese Consulate-General.

She regards Lied as one of the most charming musical forms, and has made a study of it from youth. While she has been a singer all her life, it was only after the birth of her third child in 1937 that she became really interested in music.

She is the mother of four children—all of whom live with her and Dr. Pinto Ribeiro in Macao. The family will probably remain in the Portuguese Colony

for four more years before being transferred home.

Her duties as a mother and the wife of an official in the Government have not interfered with her career as a singer, and she has made public appearances in Lisbon, Mozambique, Hong Kong and Macao.

When I was in Macao recently she received me to tea, and after talking about her interest in the songs which were featured on her programmes both here and in Europe. She began with Rossini, whose operas possess great charm for her, and then she sang Lied. Lied is a term generally applied in musical circles to German legendary and romantic folk songs.

It was a beautiful, though impromptu, performance. Madame Pinto Ribeiro's voice is rich, full of an undertone of warmth without which no sincere interpretation of Lied is possible. She sang in German, French, and

Portuguese, and every song was treated as though it were a jewel she had to "encase" within the velvet of her voice.

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A cancelled recital

Early on Friday morning the French Consulate in Hong Kong sent around official apologies to over 150 guests it had invited to a special recital tomorrow evening at the Hong Kong Hotel roof-garden.

It issued invitations last week on behalf of the French Society of Literature and Art for a piano recital to be given by Madame Louise Mayer tomorrow evening.

The Consulate explained on Friday that the recital was cancelled because Madame Mayer would only be arriving in Hong Kong on that day from France, and would not have time to make a public appearance. She is a passenger on the Champollion, a luxury Messageries Maritimes liner.

The cancellation is to be regretted because Madame Mayer is a First Prize winner of the Conservatory of Paris, and music circles in the Colony had looked forward to her performance.

All is not lost, however, because I am informed by the Consulate that Madame Mayer will make a few recordings which will be broadcast by Radio Hong Kong.

Wrestling in Madrid

Madrid's latest and biggest midnight mania is all-in wrestling. With the shade temperature soaring between 95 and 100 degrees at midday, it is only at midnight that Madrilenos can enjoy some amusement. And the outstanding amusement has become "Lucha Americana."

From a small start a year or so ago it has grown rapidly. This summer thousands of men, women and children crowd into the Madrid bullring, the Madrid Athletic Football Stadium, a former fairground and open-air dancing place.

Here they watch the Lion of Navarre, the American Tiger, the Gorilla, Black Panther and others bite, scratch, kick, pull hair, jump and fling each other out of the ring. Nothing appears to be barred, according to correspondent Stuttgart.

The majority of the people attending these midnight all-in wrestling bouts are workers paying the equivalent of two shillings entrance for amusement which goes on till after 1 a.m. Since these people have no servants, the children are taken along.

Although it is realised there is much 'faking', the craze is grow-

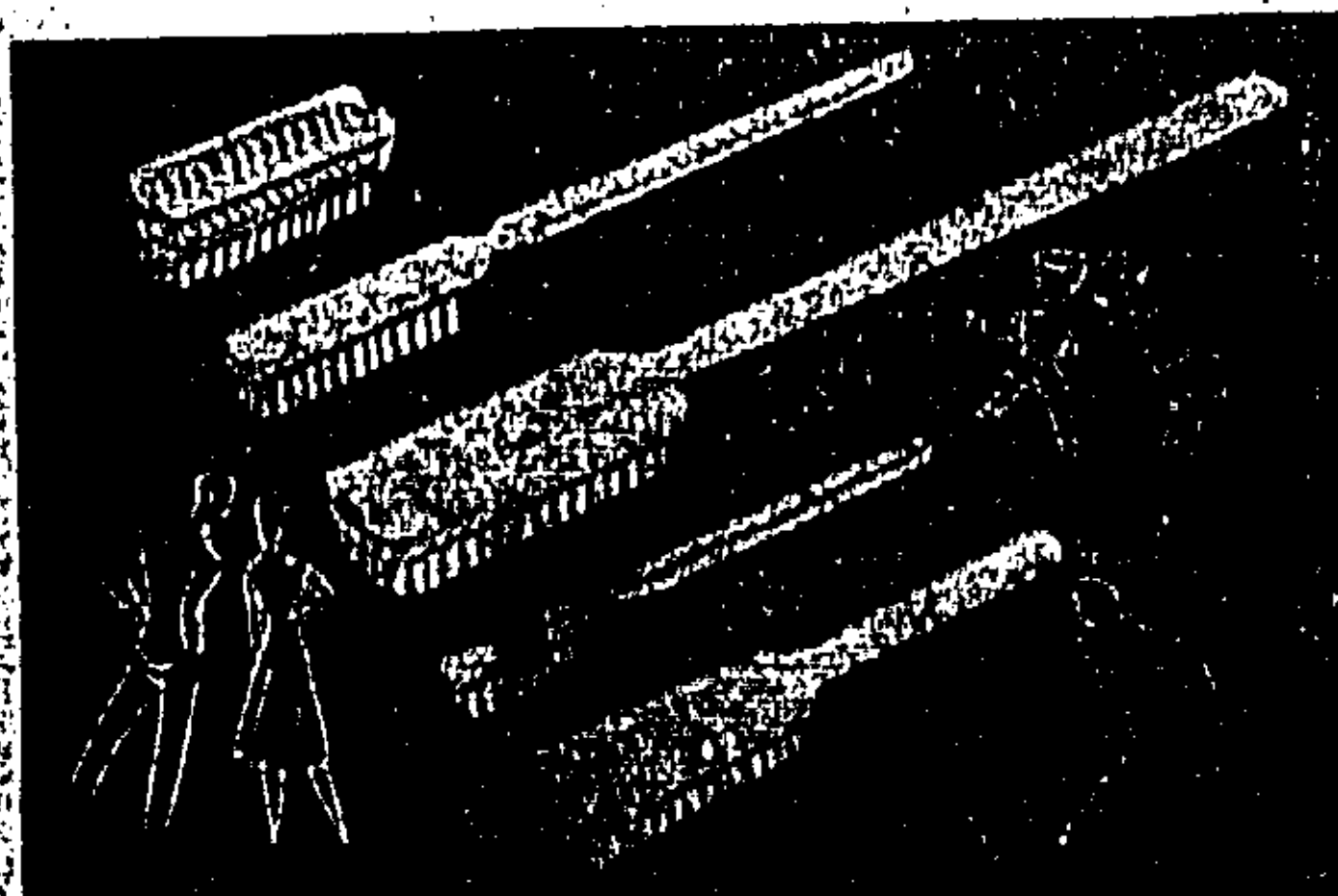
ing. Loud shouts of protest rend the air whenever two contestants appear to be treating each other too gently. There has to be action and fury.

It is estimated that more than 100,000 people are attending these all-in wrestling midnight affairs each week in Madrid's four rings.



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The widow was still awake. Underneath her casement window the words, sung in the full, lusty voice of the ballad-monger came up to her clearly as she lay restlessly in bed.

You young men who would marry well But are through want restrained, Come list to that which I shall tell Of one who wealth obtained By wedding one old widow rich— All poor young girls forsaking, He got his prize; his pop was such To keep the widow waking!

Not with shame, she could imagine the smiles on the lips of neighbours. Among the crowd gathering round the ringer there would be none who did not know who "the widow" was. In West Smithfield "Keep the widow waking" was almost a catchphrase already.

Now they that rightly would conceive The meaning of this phrase Mark what ensues and then perceive. The evening all bewrayed. The widow being pried with wine Until her brains were aching, She married in such a vein 'Twas hard to keep her waking! The young man did no time delay But quickly did despatch The priest some certain words did say And so made up the match. Thus in four hours the youth was sped In such a mood her taking

SALMON FEEL SAFER ON SOVIET SIDE

Nearly two-thirds of Russia's 120-mile common frontier with Norway consists of the Pasvik River, famous for its salmon. But, writes Moray Williams, just returned to Oslo after a trip to the Far North, the Norwegians may fish only on their own side of the river.

Should an ardent angler be pulled by a struggling salmon beyond the half-way line, warning shots are fired by Soviet frontier guards hidden rather uncomfortably in observation posts up in the pine trees.

All the same, the 10,000 inhabitants of South Varanger (the district close to the frontier) manage to catch large quantities of salmon.

When the Russians took over Northern Finland they also tried a little unsuccessful fishing, but now appear to have given it up.

Norwegians say that on the Russian side the salmon are afraid to open their mouths.

THE CHURCH IN KOREA

Church circles in Italy were not completely surprised by the outbreak of hostilities in Korea. For several weeks before war began, writes correspondent Shearer from Rome, information was reaching Rome that Catholic convents in the vicinity of the 38th Parallel on the Northern side had been ordered to move their headquarters further North.

Apparently many of the missionaries in the North have already been arrested and there is no news either of the Apostolic delegate in Seoul, Monsignor Okamoto, or of Monsignor Patrick Byrne from Washington, who was living and working in the North of the peninsula.

Catholic missions in Korea were showing progress when war came, but had not been developed on a very large scale. The number of Catholics had risen from 90,000 in 1925 to about 200,000 in the year 1950. One interesting detail is that Sungman Rhee, president of South Korea, is a missionary of the American Methodist Church and is a former graduate in theology from the University of Princeton.

The Vatican is following affairs in Korea with the greatest anxiety. Church circles do not hide their approval of American action to uphold the prestige of the United Nations.

Untold Tales of London

'KEEP THE WIDOW WAKING!'

By Felix Barker

They wooed, were married, went to bed To keep the widow waking!

Dreadful fortnight

Was there no ignominy the slaver was to spare her? Was the whole wretched incident to be made public—no detail to fall to choice coarse laughter in the streets and taverns?

The new wife coming to herself Did find she was deceived And that he took her more for pelf.

Than love she well perceived. "Prithce peace," quoth he, "good wife."

'Twas but a small mistake; 'I'll be a comfort all thy life. A' nights to keep thee waking!"

For a moment the widow had a feeling of bitter satisfaction. At least the man who had ruined her and put her name on every tongue in the town was not there to "comfort" her. In Newgate Prison, she reflected, Tobias Audley would be enjoying scant comfort himself.

With something near nausea Anne Elsdon recalled the dreadful fortnight, a year before, when it had all begun.

It had been about eight o'clock on the evening of Wednesday, July 21, 1624, that she had set out with her friend Martha Jackson, a woman of 48, the wife of a shoemaker, for the Greyhound Tavern in Blackfriars. Anne herself was a widow of 62, and she admitted to enjoying a little tittle of an evening.

When her first husband died she was left very comfortably off. Her estates were worth over

The first thing, of course, was to get the widow Anne drunk. To this end they pressed on her and her friend, Martha, a great quantity of several sorts of wine, and as the evening wore on Carmel slipped a drug into Anne's glass. As it got later and later Anne kept protesting that she must be going home. But she was told that this was impossible; the innkeeper had locked up, gone to bed and taken the keys with him.

And so—in Audley's words—"they staved their merry all night." In the morning Anne's continued requests to be taken home were brushed aside. It was a lovely day, and what better than a row across the river to St. George's Fields in Lambeth?

This plan had a double edge. Not only would they be able to ply her with more drink—Carmel's drugs had not had their expected effect—but they would elude anyone (Anne's son-in-law, for instance) who might raise the alarm because she was missing. So off they went for the jaunt.

Exhausted after the night's drinking, Anne wanted nothing so much as to sleep, and, after taking a further quart of wine, she lay down in the grass. One of the confederates, John Snow, recalled that as she lay there she was so dead asleep that when a calf came and licked her she did not waken.

The sleep in the hot sun had its effect. When she awakened she became "very sick and stupefied"

and a beggar and I will have none of you." Audley scowled at Carmel. Carmel scribbled a note and gave it to Snow. If he took it to an apothecary's shop in Bucklersbury he would be given a potion we will make you happy," Carmel told Anne. This time he had made no mistake about the strength.

The drug, which cost twelve pence, was slipped into Anne's wine. It was so strong that, someone recalled, "all Anne's senses were taken from her and she could not so much as speak, nor was able to discern what was said or done unto her."

The time had come for action. Audley called for a Book of Common Prayer, and with Carmel, Mary Spencer, and one or two more took Anne upstairs. When a potboy who had taken up the book came down saying "all was done," Snow went up to give his best wishes. "When I came into the room," he said, "I found her sitting in a chair, her body on one side, and drivelling. She was unable to speak to me."

'All is my own'

Audley had hoped for a willing consent, failing to get it, had told Carmel to prop her up in a chair and join their hands while Mary Spencer "did take her by the chin and strike her teeth together to cause her to answer or pretend to answer."

Next 5s. was paid to the landlord for a bed and, continued Snow, Audley "took off his clothes and came down into the company crying, 'All is my own!'"

The following day was Friday and before Anne came to Audley sent for a licence, which was obtained from the Chancellor of the Bishop of London's Court, and this he waved in her face, saying: "Look you here, you old hag, you have cozened others; now you are cozened yourself."

For 24 hours Anne remained in her drunken, doped haze, and during this time Audley stole her keys and with his companions went to her house in West Smithfield. There they robbed her of some £120 in gold and £20 worth of jewellery, plate and bonds. They were in need of the money; their bill at the Nag's Head was already £25.

With gold in their purses Saturday night was the occasion for another carousal. So much noise was made that it disturbed the people living next door, one Agnoidishman Pickles, goldsmith, and his wife Sarah. They heard Anne crying out, "I will go home. I will go home. I will go home!" and a little later, "Oh Lord, oh Lord, I am undone."

To "stop her exclamation" Mary Spencer and Margery Terry tried to persuade Audley to get into bed with her, but Audley was now brutally callous. "I would as lief," he said, "come to bed with an old cow."

Not until the Monday night was Anne allowed to return home, and when she did her condition was serious. "She did remain senseless," and in this condition Audley brought her back to the sign of the Nag's Head in Cheapside.

Here drinking began in good earnest—and was to continue for three days and nights. As soon as Anne arrived they began to ply her with aqua vite, rosa solis and several sorts of wines. Over the cups Audley begged her to marry him, but drunk as she was, Anne shook her head.

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seless for nine or ten days," according to one report.

Her daughter, Elizabeth, and Elizabeth's husband, Benjamin Garfield, nursed her back to health; and Garfield, who had formerly been a governor of Bridewell, set out to bring Audley to justice. He did not lack witnesses for the rogues fell out and soon Holliday was demanding what compensation Garfield would



give him if he confessed that "he had gone to Ireland and was not present at the marriage whereby no marriage could be proved without a priest."

But Garfield had met Holliday's sort before. He would give no compensation, he said, "unless that were 6d or a shilling to buy themselves hatters therewith to hang themselves."

At the Red Bull

He had enough evidence to obtain a warrant and Audley was arrested. But when eventually he was brought up at the Old Bailey in September, accused of "an aggravated assault and other enormities on Anne Elsdon to the endangering of her life" he pleaded Not Guilty and was acquitted.

Benjamin Garfield, however, was not deterred. Even though it took him over a year to mount a full case, he brought it before the Star Chamber. It was by then almost futile for Audley had died while in Newgate on another charge and Anne Elsdon herself was fated to die within a few months.

Long before this, however, the widow's story had made an unexpected bid for immortality. Three playwrights, Thomas Dekker, John Ford, and John Webster, who in 1621 had collaborated in writing "The Witch of Edmonton," decided that here was material for a superb farce.

With the added help of Samuel Rowley (and it was asserted at the Star Chamber hearing, with the contrivance of Audley himself) they wrote "Keep the Widow Waking"—a slight enough work for dramatists capable of "The Duchess of Malfi" and "The Fairy Knight," but sufficient to raise a laugh at the Red Bull in Clerkenwell.

The jest had an added flavour as it was a local one. The Red Bull in St. John's Street was very near Anne Elsdon's home. Anne asked Garfield to go to William

Blagrave, the Deputy Master of Revels, and petition him to stop it. Blagrave put a 20s. fee in his pocket, but did nothing about it.

So the play—no trace of which survives today—was acted at the playhouse adjoining the tavern, and even Garfield's personal appeal to the actor Ellis Worth and other players at the Bull failed to stop it.

In fact, Aaron Holland, the theatre's manager, seeing what splendid publicity the real story lent the play had the ballad contrived and the final act of daring showmanship—sung under Anne Elsdon's window.

BREEDING GROUND FOR COMMUNISTS

Since the outbreak of the Korean war political observers in Rome have expected the Italian Government to take security measures against the Communist Party in anticipation of a wave of rioting and strikes. But according to Robert Shearer the Communists there are taking a different line.

Though their newspapers scream about American "imperialism" in the Far East, they are urging their compatriots and others to keep as far away from the conflict as possible.

Their leaders are even acquiring political merit by statements which appeal to the masses who dread the thought of war in Europe.

Though Italians approved the Marshall Plan they never liked the Atlantic Pact, and they like it still less now that Korea has erupted. And the country's shrinking from war makes fruitful ground for the sowing of little seeds of Communist poison.

MATE FOUND FOR TRUMAN'S GOAT

From Athens, as a change from war news, Michael Manning reports a wild goat chase.

Kri Kri, a rare Cretan wild goat has taken off by air for the National Park in Washington. He is a present from the dwellers in a mountain village of Crete to President Truman in gratitude for Marshall aid to Greece.

He was accompanied by his original master, Protopapadakis by name, who served during the war as liaison between Greek guerrillas and British agents.

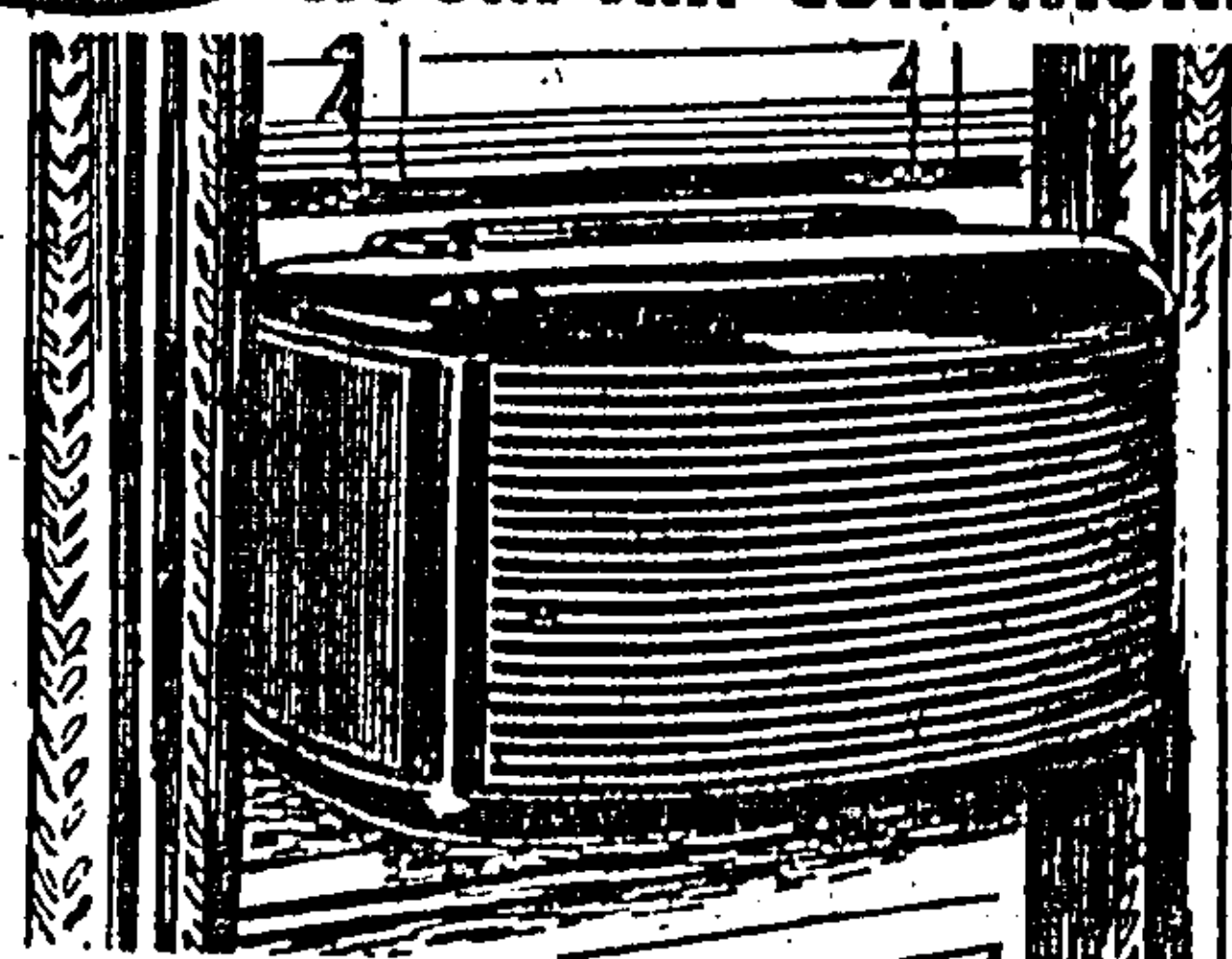
Almost at the last moment, a team of expert hunters managed to find a mate for Kri Kri, an eight-month-old female of the same breed. No other specimen of Kri Kri's type is known to be in any zoo, and it is believed that the type is virtually extinct.

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If a tepid war gets hot

The tepid war—the warm war, if you like—has started. It started not with Korea itself, but with the decisions round the free world to readjust the balance between guns and butter.

It started with M. Flevin's refusal to be Premier of France unless he raised her defence budget by 20 per cent; with President Truman's Message semi-mobilising America; with the Fontainebleau meeting, when the Western Union defence Ministers urgently agreed to speed up and enlarge measures against aggression.

The tepid war, in short, is a general acceptance of the fact that peace-time relations with the enemy—Russia—are hopeless and that the next logical stage in the present historical trend is hot war.

But what would happen if it started now, or even soon—before we had time to shift from butter to guns?

Need for secrecy

The first answer is, of course, that we cannot really tell. There has been such an obvious need for secrecy. Never have people speculated more and known less about what weapons their leaders have and how they intend to use them.

But a little clear thinking produces these results: All the visible preparations of the Western Powers have been along normal, "classical" lines.

We are still producing tanks and guns and planes, and our defence chiefs have decided that we are not producing enough.

We are still training infantrymen, and not enough.

Make no mistake, the Red Army is far stronger than all the other armies of Europe put together. It is vast in numbers.

It was vast when the war ended, and nearly 12 per cent of Russia's national income has been spent on it since. It could start in the West with 50 divisions and raise that to 140 divisions in three months. Supposing it suddenly rolled forward. What would Western Europe have to meet it?

The biggest and most anti-Communist army in Western

Europe—the Spanish—would not take part because, on ideological grounds, it has not been invited. The best army in Western Europe—the Swiss—would not take part because it is attempting a policy of neutrality.

The biggest reserve of the best military man-power in Europe—

By Alexander Clifford

Western Germany—would not take part because we would not let it.

If we scraped together the remaining armies of Europe we might collect about 20 combat divisions—seven from Italy, five from France, two each from Britain, Belgium, and Holland, and one each from Norway, Denmark, and Portugal.

But they would not be there ready for the battle, and it would take most of them a long time to get there.

Korea has tragically shown just how long it takes to get even a tiny force into action overseas.

So the initial battle would be fought by the handful of British, French, and American divisions which are now occupying Germany.

But long before anything else could go into action the Red Army would have arrived. There would simply be no time to stop it. America could drop atom bombs on Moscow the first day, but that would not save Western Europe from being overrun.

All this may seem alarmist, but I do not see how else you can reason. Our prospects in an immediate war are thoroughly bad.

To hold a Russian blitz in Germany, Western Europe probably needs to be able to put 50 fully armed divisions into the field instantly. At present it could hardly produce 20 divisions slowly.

France and Italy are both bitterly disappointed with the American arms deliveries to them, despite the smallness of their armies.

America has new weapons, but if she is not prepared to unveil them to save her own troops in Korea, she is obviously not going to send them here for European

armies to start training with; and once war has started it will be too late for training.

That is one of the dilemmas America must solve. How to keep secret weapons handy for a European war, and at the same time keep them secret.

But to set against all this gloom there are a few crumbs of comfort.

Giving us time

In the first place, the Russians, too, know our weakness, and something has prevented them from exploiting it so far. Either they do not want war (which is a perfectly possible argument, but a political one, and the rulers of Western Europe have decided not to trust in it) or else they are afraid of America's lead with the atom bomb.

Their fear of the A-bomb, if that is what is holding them back, gives us time—but essentially time to do something.

(And do not be too much put off by the theory that an armaments race—which we are now open-eyedly starting—inevitably leads to war. War happens when one unscrupulous nation arms too much. The method of halting an aggressor by being strong enough to take him on has not been tried.

"If you want peace, prepare for war," is true, provided you avoid the logical fallacy of thinking that because Russia is preparing for war she wants peace.)

Besides the atom bomb America has some important new designs for "classical warfare," especially in anti-tank methods. She is, in fact, developing weapons with which relatively small forces can meet vast masses and hold them (the first-power of American infantry is judged to be 15 times greater today than in 1940). And this is excellent for the defence of Europe.

Moreover, the framework of a defence of Europe exists. The Western Union chiefs at Fontainebleau have made the blueprint and constructed the machinery. The politicians have so far not given them enough fuel to run it. But the principle of "balanced collective forces" with each nation contributing a planned part of a total defence, has been established.

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Problem of Suez

By J.L. Hays

Did you see a news item from Cairo recently about the Egyptian Government banning the supply of concrete to Britain's Suez Canal garrison except under special authorisation?

Perhaps you also read the Egyptian allegation that Britain is using the cement for "imperialistic designs, for the erection of military establishments and fortifications."

Now, why this Egyptian pin-pricking opposition to Britain's continued interest in the security of the 101-mile long Suez Canal?

Well, the Egyptians, fired by new nationalism, resent the occupation by a British garrison of a 60-mile-long strip on the Western bank. They resent the vast dumps, hatted camps and airfields between Ismailia and Suez—Britain's biggest base in the Middle East, housing the "Imperial Reserve" of men and fighting equipment.

Where else is there available plentiful native labour, good weather conditions and wide, billiard-table smooth areas for airfields?

But, bear in mind, differences between Egypt and Britain over the custodianship of Suez—cut in 1889 at a cost of £20,000,000—have always been wide.

The Egyptians have always been inclined to dislike everything and everybody connected with the Canal because of the circumstances, humiliating to them, in which alien overlordship developed.

Although registered as an Egyptian corporation, the canal was built by French engineers using French capital. To-day the Compagnie Universelle du Canal Maritime de Suez, with headquarters in Paris, operates under a 99-year concession granted Ferdinand de Lesseps by Mohammed Said, Viceroy of Egypt, in 1866. Eighteen of the 32 directors are French, and the French public holds half the company's shares.

The 1950-estimated value of the concession is £70,000,000. Suez shares originally issued at £10s. each are now worth £85.

The British Government owns 43½ per cent of the shares. The story has often been told: How Disraeli, then Prime Minister of Great Britain, hearing that the near-bankrupt Khedive of Egypt had a block of shares for sale, and aware of the importance of shortening the sea route to India by 4,500 miles, borrowed £4,000,000 from the House of Rothschild and completed a snap deal without Parliamentary approval.

Not so commonly known is that these shares are now worth £20,000,000 and rarely pay dividends of less than 20 per cent.

More than 6,000 ships used the Canal in 1949. West-bound tankers carrying E.R.P. oil to Europe, paying 25,000 in tolls each trip, exceeded 50 per cent of the two-way traffic.

Easy enough, then, to understand why the Egyptians tune at foreign control of money-spinning Suez.

Perhaps the best chances of a compromise equally acceptable to Britain and Egypt rest in the character and record of the present Egyptian Premier, Nasser Pasha, and in the background to his election victory.

This 71-year-old Wafdist lawyer was, frankly, Britain's choice as Premier at a critical point of the war when it was clear that the pro-Italian King Farouk was, to put it mildly, hardly wholeheartedly on the Allied side. Hence the force Farouk to appoint Nasser Pasha. Britain ringed his palace with troops and tanks until the necessary documents were signed.

Ever since, not unnaturally, there has been little love lost between Nasser Pasha and his King, who, eventually, ignominiously dismissed him in the more balmy atmosphere of 1944.

Now returned to power after Egypt's first free elections with an absolute majority of 169 seats, Nasser Pasha, unlike his predecessors, is free of "palace control." His influence is profound.

And of all those leaders he is the least likely to mind to the crippling xenophobia which lies at the root of all Egypt's present troubles. He has a reputation of looking to the West, of knowing something of life in the world beyond Cairo's minarets.

While as an Egyptian Premier, and as leader of a powerful Nationalist party, he must be expected to echo in public the street cries demanding the British withdrawal from the Canal, hopes of a solution to this problem—which is of so much importance to the free world—will remain as long as he retains power.

And no other area of the Middle East offers the same advantages as a base as Suez does. Where else is there safe inland water and docks leading on to both the Mediterranean and the Indian Ocean?

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TOGETHER WE STAND

While the Taipei Radio has attacked India's action in voting for the unseating of the Nationalist delegate on the Security Council, one of the leading pro-Communist papers in Hong Kong took a sharp crack at the action of the British delegate in voting on the other side. "There is such a nation—and such a delegate—which has announced its severance of relations with the Kuomintang remnant reactionary group and expressed its readiness to establish diplomatic relations with New China on the one hand," it said, "but openly rejected the representation of New China on the Security Council on the other. This 'double-faced' policy is thus fully demonstrated."

In the light of this, it seems necessary to go over a lot of old and dreary ground once more. After Russia, Britain was the first of the Great Powers to extend de jure recognition to the Peking Government. It did so not because it had any greater love for that Government than Peking has for the Labour Government in Britain, but simply as a matter of practical reality and practical politics. And what happened? The British representative was left to cool his heels for weeks, if not months, and then handed a series of terms whereby Britain's offer of recognition would alone be recognised.

This sort of thing happened in no other case. Recognition of Soviet recognition was not made conditional on the return of Port Arthur and Dairen or anything else. Nor was recognition by Sweden, or India. Britain must do this, that or the other thing, or she could take her recognition somewhere else. One had to return to the days of Macartney and Amherst to find anything like it. And one of the demands—again made on no other Government—was that Britain should help to put Peking's representative on the Security Council. Later Mr. Bevin made it clear that the Government thought it better for the new China to be inside the United Nations, but that the decision should be a collective one.

Having gone more than half-way to meet China—in spite of differing views in the Commonwealth and in the United States—Britain had no intention of submitting to Soviet blackmail and voting for China under Moscow's obstructionist and walk-out pressure. It was a straightforward attitude, not one of double-dealing.

Actually British recognition has been spurned—that is what it amounts to. And Mr. Bevin voiced his suspicion that the tactics were dictated by Moscow, which seeks above all to divide Britain and the United States. If Peking had really measured up to the opportunity, it would have responded to British recognition precisely as it did in the other cases, and then have put forward its demands. And now we are reproached for refusing to submit to double-blackmail, with Russia as the open and unabashed culprit, and the dispute over Korea as the bludgeon.

The charge of double-deal-

ing does not lie with Britain. Neither the Government nor the people, hard-pressed as they may be, will lie down under methods of this sort. Nobody seeks peace more sincerely than the British. They have fought their way through the two greatest wars of all history from first to last. They have deprived themselves, by their own deliberate choice, of much in order to pay their way, look the world squarely in the face, and at the same time meet the needs of the common man. There is certainly no desire to alienate China.

But it seems necessary that their spirit should be understood, lest worse befall. The British are not prepared, any more than the American people, to knuckle under to all the evil machinations of the evil empire. We have stood for certain things and certain principles. There is no wish to ostracise any other country because it adopts a different system. If Peking had responded as it should have done to the British recognition, the United States might soon have followed the example. But certain standards of decent and peaceful conduct are at stake now, and on these Britain will stand fast.

The linking of Korea and China is a transparent Russian device to divide Britain and the United States. It won't work. Come what may, we shall see this thing through together, and unite our unrivalled diplomatic experience and statesmanship with American energy and efficiency in support of the United Nations. And it is time China had a national policy instead of a narrow Party policy in so grave a crisis.

BEHIND THE ARMIES

While the fighting continues in Korea, diplomacy pursues its course in the main capitals.

When a localised war starts, humane bystanders always want it to be ended peacefully before the combatants have fought it out. History, however, shows the hope to be seldom realised. Nor need one wonder; for usually it is hard enough to keep the flames from spreading, let alone to extinguish them.

The present war began with a naked aggression—a blow struck by one international unit against another without warning or com-

plaint or diplomatic prelude of any kind.

No country will act like that unless it has ample reason to believe itself the stronger. Its

By Scrutator

Initial victories will follow as a matter of course. What did not follow as a matter of course, in the present instance, was the intervention of the United Nations.

Yet this, too, was a possibility that must have been taken into account. The size of the American forces in Japan, the number of weeks necessary to send any additions to them across the Pacific, and the number of Russian tanks and aeroplanes required to outbalance them—all these could be calculated beforehand, and no doubt were.

Pandit Nehru's move

When, therefore, the British Government instructed Sir David Kelly to enquire at Moscow whether Russia would use her influence to induce North Korea to withdraw its forces, there can have been little hope of more than a formal negative reply. Nor, probably, would more have resulted but for the simultaneous and independent demarche by Pandit Nehru.

In regard to this it must be borne in mind that India no less than Great Britain had subscribed to the United Nations' declaration about Korea. There was no attempt on Mr. Nehru's part to mount a pedestal of neutrality and offer mediation from it.

But India has special reasons for wishing that the war should end, and in particular that it should not follow a course which hostile propaganda could represent as one more conquest of an Eastern country by a Western.

At the same time the Indian Prime Minister had long urged that Mao Tse-tung's Government should represent China at the United Nations; and he was known to feel strongly about it.

For the moment the United Nations Powers have a firm line of policy in refusing to negotiate any terms with or for the North Korean Government, until its forces are withdrawn behind the frontier from which they started.

If aggression is not to pay, the aggressors cannot be allowed to retain any part of their ill-gotten gains; and before there is the least chance of their conceding this, they will have to be heavily defeated.

Russia alone could put pressure on North Korea to give way without further bloodshed; and it is clear from Stalin's replies that she will not at present do so.

The United Nations passed a very difficult and important resolution doing less than justice to Mao's intelligence. If his policy is war, he will make it if not, not. But we may be sure that bigger issues will decide him than the temporary immolation of Taiwan.

But to clinch the matter it now has to preserve its unity of pur-

pose, and this in face of a Power whose far-flung propaganda labours unceasingly to drive wedges between Great Britain and the United States, between Europe and each of them, and between the Western and the Asiatic peoples. Hence there is much to be said for postponing thorny subjects and possible sources of division, until the fruits of unity are garnered.

Yet there are some questions about the future of Korea which we cannot afford to shirk. Is it to remain torn or be unified? How are its economic and particularly its agrarian conditions to be improved?

How do we propose to steer its democracy between the Scylla of a Communist tyranny and the Charybdis of a corruption like Chiang Kai-shek's? Russia's Asiatic propaganda has over the immense advantage of being able in its own way—to give such questions unhesitating answers.

Taiwan

A difficult subject apart from the rest is the American action in regard to Taiwan. Nothing would please Russia more than to embroil Great Britain and the United States over this; and it is not surprising to find a little chorus of "fellow-travellers" within the Labour Party saying all that Moscow would like them to say about it.

Taiwan is not an "integral" part of China. It was before 1945 an outlying and neglected dependency of the Chinese Empire, and in that year was ceded to Japan.

If America, after Japan's fall half a century later, had claimed a strategic control over it as essential to her role in the Pacific, no one could have stopped her. Instead she handed it to Chiang Kai-shek's China, which she had been misled into supposing a bulwark of democracy.

Last winter, after Mao Tse-tung had conquered China for Communism and Chiang Kai-shek was taking refuge in Taiwan, the question was raised in America whether the United States could afford that Taiwan should pass under Russia's strategic control. The reply then given by the Administration was that she could.

If one asks why American policy has been changed now, the answer no doubt is that in the sudden circumstances military prudence dictated it. America has declared no permanent change in the island's status. She has merely announced that she will not let Chiang continue to use it as a base for attacking Communist China, nor vice versa will she allow Communist China to attack Chiang there.

The "fellow-travellers" denounce this as libelle to bring Mao Tse-tung into the war. In doing they do less than justice to Mao's intelligence. If his policy is war, he will make it if not, not. But we may be sure that bigger issues will decide him than the temporary immolation of Taiwan.

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RUSSIA DEMANDS U.S. TROOPS WITHDRAWAL

Two-point "peace" plan put forward by Malik THREAT TO USE VETO

Lake Success, August 4.

Russia today demanded the immediate withdrawal of United States and all other foreign troops from Korean soil as part of a two-point Soviet "peace" proposal.

It asked the Security Council to hear both the North and South Koreans, and threatened to exercise its veto power unless the Council hears the North Koreans.

A Soviet resolution was laid before the 11-nation Security Council by Jakob A. Malik as a counter to a United States proposal designed to prevent the spread of the fighting to other areas.

U.S. envoy at the Kremlin

Moscow, August 4. The U.S. Embassy announced today that the U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Alan Kirk, saw Mr. Andrei Gromyko, the Russian Deputy Foreign Minister, by appointment this afternoon.

Mr. Kirk plans to leave Moscow on August 12 for a brief trip to Wiesbaden, Germany.—Associated Press.

Weather's vagaries in Italy

Rome, August 4. Torrents, violent hailstorms and heat waves caused the death of one and more than 2,000,000 lire damage to property in Italy during the past four hours.

A heat wave pushed the thermometer up to 113 degrees Fahrenheit in the Southern Puglia region, damaging still further crops which were withering due to the two-month drought.

In Alto Adige in the Tyrol, near the Austrian border, violent winds and hailstorms damaged vineyards and orchards to the extent of more than 1,000,000,000 lire and destroyed half a dozen farm houses.

In Perugia province, in Central Italy, a hailstorm blanketed six square kilometres of vineyards and orchards and wrecked half a dozen farm houses.

At Leghorn, a violent tidal wave, accompanied by South winds, swept the seashore for miles, driving all bathers from the sea-coast.

In the mountain area near Reggio Emilia, a tornado swept through the towns of Villaminozzzo and Tonnio, blowing off house roofs and knocking down chimneys. Several dozen persons were injured.—United Press.

"The issue," Mr. Malik said, "is whether the Security Council will adopt a decision for peace or for war."

The brief Soviet resolution provided for: 1. Immediate cessation of hostilities in Korea and withdrawal of all foreign troops.

2. Inviting representatives of Red China and the Korean people to take part in UN peace negotiations.

Mr. Malik made it clear that he would veto the U.S. proposal by pointing out that he regarded the issue as a matter of substance. (This means it can be killed if any one of the five Big Powers vote against it.)

Mr. Malik told the Council it should invite "both parties participating in these hostilities"—that is, both the North and South Koreans. No representative of North Korea is in this country now.

"Will insist"

During the previous Council debates on Korea—while Russia was still carrying on her boycott—the delegate invited the representative of South Korea, Ambassador John M. Chang, to take part. Mr. Malik is expected to ignore Dr. Chang.

Mr. Malik said "The Soviet delegation will insist on inviting the representative of the Korean People's Republic to attend."

"A number of countries have established diplomatic relations with this Republic. Even the resolution of the United States, which is engaged in an armed struggle against this Republic, they are defined as 'North Korean authorities'."

"When new troops are sent, when new bombing planes are sent, it will be these North Korean authorities who are bombed and they should be heard."

In contempt

Mr. Warren R. Austin, the U.S. delegate, said the Russian resolution was "entirely beyond the agenda and the business now confronting us."

"Note that the Russians say the representative of the Korean People," Mr. Austin said. "We decided that (Korean representation) in the General Assembly and in two meetings of the Security Council. That body is the Republic of Korea—the only body that represents the Korean People."

The North Korean regime, Mr. Austin declared, was not only in contempt of the Security Council but was defying it with military hostilities.

He added: "In the view of my Government this regime should not be invited to sit at this table." Sir Gladwyn Jebb (Britain), saying that he was addressing Mr. Malik as the Soviet delegate and not in his capacity as Chairman of the Council, asserted that the questions of Korean aggression

and the Russian proposals were separate.

Sir Gladwyn said that the North Koreans by their refusal to obey the United Nations had put themselves "in a state of hostility with the United Nations itself."

British view

Sir Gladwyn added that it would be impossible, therefore, to invite the North Koreans to the Council. The North Koreans, must, by their behaviour, put themselves right before the Council and then, if necessary, they could appear before it, he said.

The British on the admittance of the North Korean representative and another on the admittance of a South Korean representative.

He said that if a North Korean were allowed, "to come to this table and argue, as he undoubtedly would, that they were the victims of aggression," it would give the impression that it was quite in order to resist the injunction of the Council.

Mr. Jean Chauvel (France) recalled that on June 25 the Council, by a vote of six to one and three abstentions, had defeated a Yugoslav proposal that a North Korean representative be invited to the Council's debates.

"Illegal"

Sir Benegal-Narsing Rau (India) said that he would not be free to vote on the question of the admittance of a representative of the Korean people without asking for instructions from his Government.

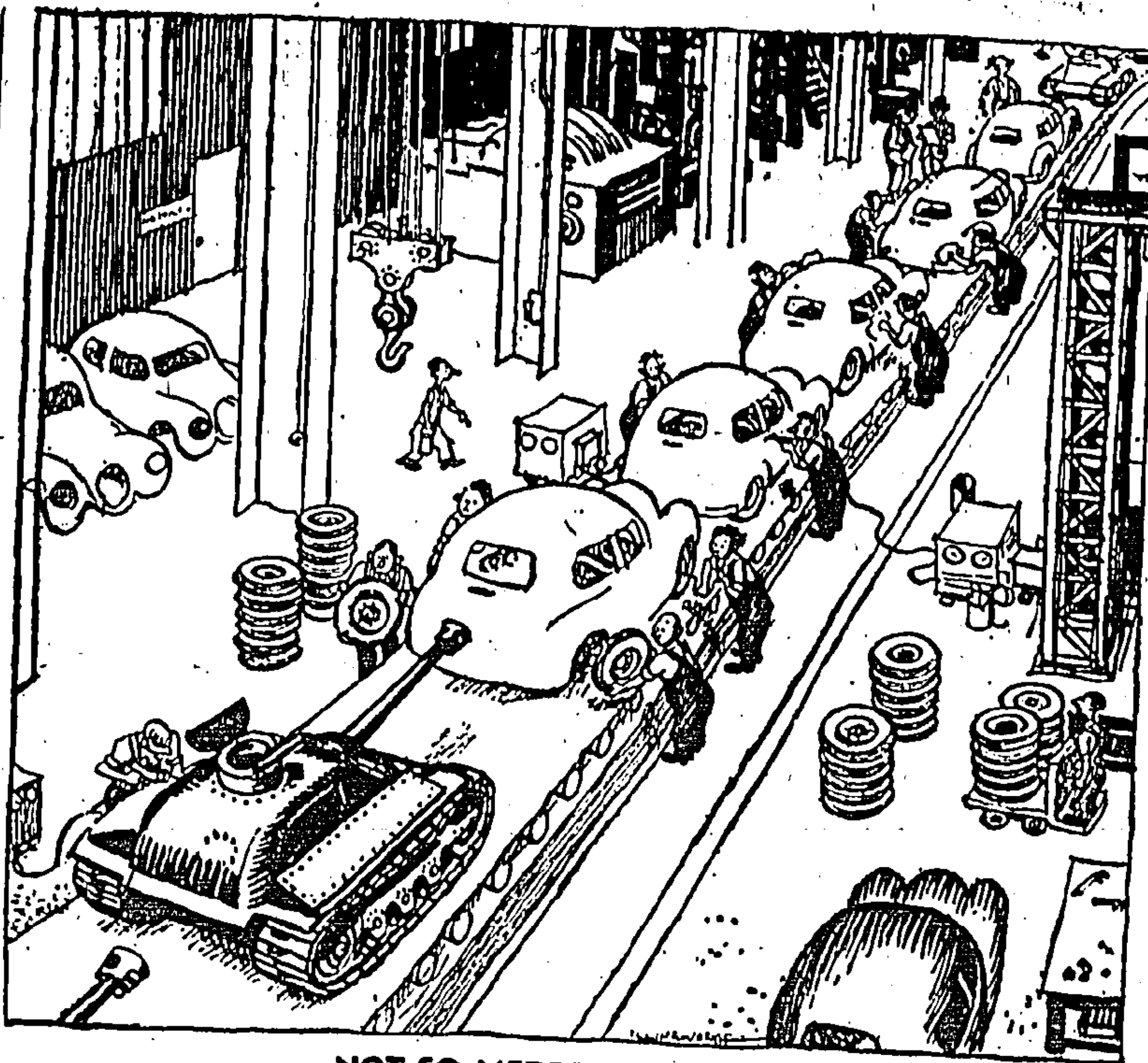
Mr. Malik, speaking as Soviet delegate, not as Chairman, said in answer to a request from the Egyptian delegate for clarification of the Russian proposals, "It is essential to invite both parties—the North and the South—to the Council. Rejection of the proposal would be tantamount to rejection of a contribution—to the cessation of hostilities."

After Mr. Arne Sunde (Norway) had reviewed the action taken by the Council in inviting a representative of the South Korean Government to appear before it, stating that this invitation still stood, Mr. Malik asserted, in his capacity as Soviet delegate, that the June 25 resolution was illegal because two members of the Council had not been present.

Neither could it be said that North Korea had shown hostility to decisions of the United Nations, because these decisions were illegal, Mr. Malik further maintained.

After further debate the Council adjourned until next Tuesday without taking any decision.—Associated Press and Reuter.

Madras, August 5. Deaths from cholera totalling 221 in the Kurnool district of Madras State between June 1 and July 31, it was stated here today.—Reuter.



NOT-SO-MERRY-GO-ROUND

Canada, South Africa to send aid to Korea

Washington, August 4.

Canada is considering the despatch of at least 1,000 troops to aid United Nations forces in Korea, a usually reliable diplomatic source informed Reuter today.

These troops would be picked because of the familiarity with Far Eastern conditions, this source said.

Canada has contributed three destroyers and a squadron of planes which are flying United States supplies to Tokyo by way of the Great Circle route.

It was learned that the Canadian Foreign Minister, Mr. Lester Pearson, visited Washington early this week to confer with officials there on the Korean situation.

An Ottawa report says that the Canadian Prime Minister, Mr. Louis St. Laurent, is expected to announce on Monday that a special Canadian force of ground troops will be raised for service in Korea and that Parliament will be recalled to ratify the move.

Further steps to buttress the home defences are also expected. The force will probably be between 3,000 and 4,000, the Ottawa report added.

Australian moves
Australia has made three swift moves to speed aid to Korea.

The liner Yunnan is racing from Hong Kong to Sydney to load Mustang fighters, arms and hundreds of tons of ammunition for Australian forces in Korea.

The destroyer Warramunga sails from Sydney for Korean waters on Sunday night.

The first recruits for Australia's expeditionary force have been ordered to report on Tuesday for medicals and attestation.

The Mustangs will be ready for immediate use on arrival in Japan.

In New York the Australian Prime Minister, Mr. Robert Menzies, declared that he believes "before long my own country will have the distinction of serving side by side with young in Korea in every arm of the fighting forces."

Mr. Menzies was guest of honour at a reception given by Mayor William O'Dwyer of New York at the City Hall Plaza after a parade on Lower Broadway.

Mayor O'Dwyer presented Mr. Menzies with a scroll for "distinguished public services."

South Africa to send planes
The South African Government has decided to offer a fighter squadron with ground personnel

to aid the United Nations forces in Korea. It was announced in Pretoria.

The squadron will be a regular one. The decision to make the all-day Cabinet meeting at the home of the Prime Minister, Dr. Daniel Malan.

The Cabinet announcement said service in the Far East would be voluntary as members of the permanent forces were only liable for service at home.

Legislation to legalise the position of the volunteers would be introduced in the next session of Parliament if necessary. A special session might be necessary to authorise additional expenditure for further modernisation and expansion of South Africa's Armed Forces.

It was understood that the squadron could be on its way to the Far East in a fortnight.

The Panamanian Government has approved a resolution placing the country in a "state of alert" and "placing all national facilities at the disposition of the United Nations" including volunteers to fight in Korea.

The President, Dr. Arnulfo Arias, addressed a radio appeal to all Panamanians asking for their collaboration "at this moment of international crisis".—Reuter and Associated Press.

Greece accused by Albania

London, August 4.

Albania today sent a protest to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, Mr. Trygve Lie, alleging five armed provocations by Greek forces during the period July 6 to July 29, "with the aim of inciting an armed conflict in the Balkans and in Europe," the official Albanian news agency reported.

The protest said that in one of the incidents a Greek soldier was blown up by a mine after penetrating Albanian territory and was then carried back to Greek soil by his companions.

Albanian frontier guards had opened fire on Greek intruders on several occasions, the protest said, and on July 15 80 Greek soldiers had sprayed machine-gun fire "in the direction of Albania" for several hours from positions near the Albanian frontier.—Reuter.

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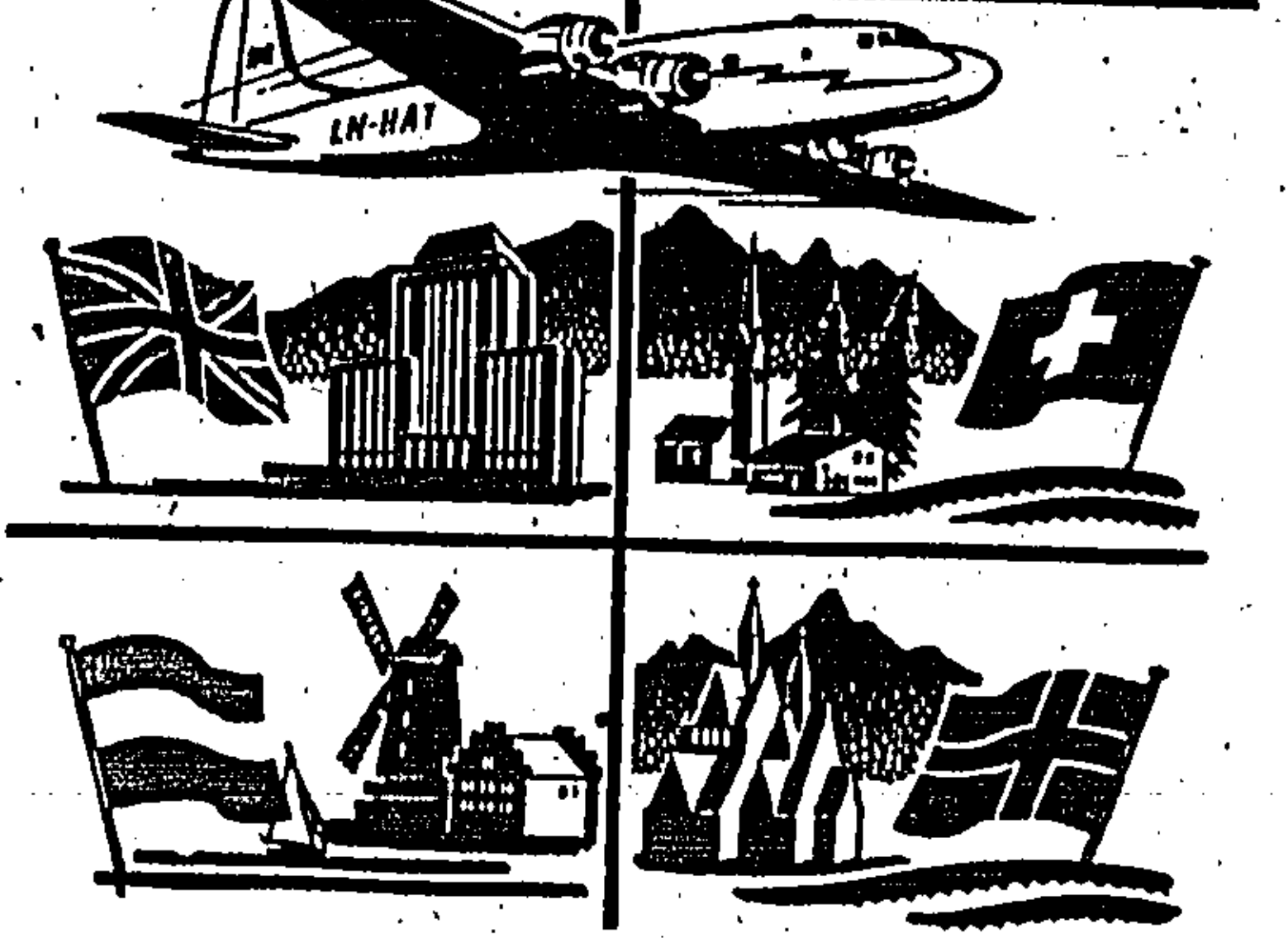
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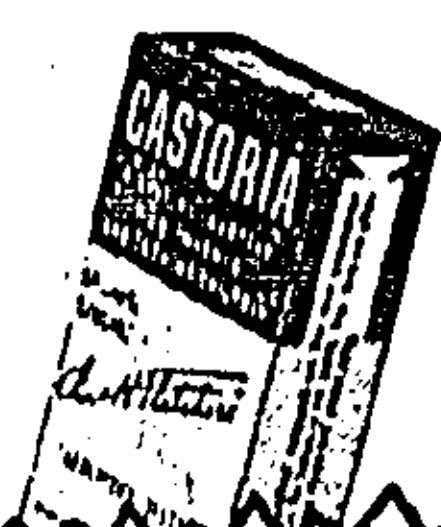
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AUSTRALIAN LETTER

Focal point

Sydney, July 30.

Korea is still the focal point of interest in Australia and as the American forces continue to meet reverses there is a growing realisation that something more must be done to share the responsibility of the United Nations to ensure peace.

Opposition Leader Chifley told more than 150 trade union leaders that the Labour party did not want to be dragged into every "war" that occurred in Asia but said that the Party wholeheartedly supported United Nations action in Korea.

Everyone regards the situation as something more than a remote skirmish and can see that the global picture could darken if the United Nations are so ineffectual that the resolution of the conflict is left to the old-style power politics.

Developments in Asia are making Australians more and more conscious of their geographical position in the world, their dependence, in the final analysis, on the help and support of other nations. One school favours close association with Britain, another tends more to closer association with America as geographically the nearest and most powerful relation.

Dr. F. James, principal and vice-chancellor of the McGill University, Canada, now visiting Australia, made a suggestion that would meet both these schools—that America rejoin the British Commonwealth of Nations, the only international organisation in which, he said, America would feel at home.

Domestically, Minister for National Development Casey has said that the decline in population in the North of Australia offers a frightening prospect for the future. Not so long ago more than 20,000 people lived in the Gulf country; now there are fewer than 500. After an aerial survey of North Queensland he suggested that the remedy lay in the extensive development of mining and the doubling of the cattle industry.

In New South Wales rain is still the main topic of conversation. Floods have recurred on the Northern rivers, crops are still blocked, produce is still scarce and no one's at all happy.

As a bizarre sidelight, one Sydney firm has sold 50 outdoor motors to country customers, some of them in areas where rain of any sort is, in normal times, a rarity.

In Sydney itself shipping is jamming up because wet weather has held up loadings, and wharves and warehouses are jammed with more than 100,000 tons of goods and interstate cargo. To add to the confusion incoming and outgoing cargoes have become mixed on the wharves.

On the more friendly side the Lord Mayor's Flood Relief Fund has reached nearly £31,000 in contributions. In the flooded areas the situation is really serious. Thousands are homeless after their third inundation this year, many children have been without shelter and people in other areas have offered to billet them. Food for the people and fodder for stock has been flown to the more desperately situated areas. One Member of Parliament wept as he told of the damage along the Macleay River and urged the development of a reclamation project for the flood-prone Tennesson Valley Authority.

For the first time in memory Lake Eyre, in central Australia, is full of water. Normally it is a dry saltpan. A couple of characters have made history by navigating a boat down Cooper's Creek to the lake. It's never been done before because Cooper's Creek usually runs into the sand long before it gets to the lake site.

Soil erosion

In spite of all the rain New South Wales is still suffering from soil erosion, attributed mainly to the denudation of the land of its trees and overstocking of sheep which have eaten out the binding grasses. Experts estimate that 54,000 acres are being lost by erosion, a virtual stranglehold on Australian industry.

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which the rate is based, are lower. The flash is brief because, since the increase was determined, many prices have gone up and there's the inescapable prospect of further rises to meet the increased overhead that the higher basic wage will create. In New South Wales alone the increase will cost industry £5,000,000 a year and the public service more than £1,000,000. The overblowing chase of wages and prices is getting more and more brisk.

Response to a free market has been quickly shown since Government controls on investments were removed early this year. The first half of the year has shown an all-time record in the amount of new capital invested—£43,347,079—substantially in Australian shares and debentures.

Corresponding figure in 1949 (when controls were on) was £25,953,543.

On the run

Communists are on the run in Australia since the Liberal Government has demonstrated that it will be neither bullied nor blackmailed. The Federal Executive of the Seamen's Union, which, without reference to its membership, imposed a ban on the handling of war materials for Korea, received a rude rebuff when meetings of the men opposed the ban. Then, stealthily and secretly it withdrew the ban without even telling the rebels about it.

In the mining districts a majority of lodges has opposed a plan to link up with the watersiders' move designed to give the militants a virtual stranglehold on Australian industry.

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Queen through three reigns

Inside Her Majesty's home

Marlborough House, the big red-brick building between the Mall and Pall Mall, built for the famous Sarah, Duchess of Marlborough, has been home to Queen Mary for a large part of her life. She lived there as Princess of Wales from 1902 until she moved across to Buckingham Palace with King George V on his accession in 1910, and took up residence there again, after an interval of 26 years, when she left Buckingham Palace in October 1936.

Queen Mary's personal apartments are on the first floor, overlooking the garden and the Mall. They consist of her bedroom, her boudoir, where she attends to her correspondence and her work, and her private dining-room. In these rooms the formal grandeur of the state apartments is softened by many personal touches.

Her sitting-room is an apartment of modest proportions with a French window and two flanking windows. Its walls are hung with silk in a delicate shade of soft grey-blue. There is no abundance of ornate furniture. But every piece in the room is of the first quality, perfect in every detail.

In the centre stands a large and very beautiful brass-bound writing table, before which is a gilt chair, with an exquisitely embroidered back, arms and seat, worked by Queen Mary herself.

As she sits at her table, the windows are on her left, with two settings covered in pale blue-green satin near them. These, and a third in the corner of this room, are on much more formal lines than the wide, soft couches beloved of modern house-furnishers.

On the walls are several cases of miniatures and fans, displaying some of Queen Mary's favourite treasures. In a tall, well-filled bookcase Queen Mary keeps some of her most-loved books, historical volumes, most of them in bindings that are splendid examples of the bookbinder's craft.

This, with some small pieces of period furniture, each a collector's gem, complete the equipment of the room in which Queen Mary spends the greater part of her working day indoors.

There are, incidentally, in the other rooms of Marlborough House, a total of between four and five thousand volumes, the personal property of Queen Mary, all of them neatly entered and recorded in a filing cabinet system which enables her to have any volume produced at a moment's notice.

Flowers in sitting-room

Every day when Queen Mary is in residence her sitting-room is filled with flowers: not necessarily the most costly of blooms, for she is no lover of out-of-season flowers when others are available, but with her love of colour, she is fond of having a profusion of blooms around her while she is working at her writing-table.

Roses are constant favourites, and she is fond, too, of lilies of the valley and carnations; flowers of pale pink or pale blue are her favourites.

Queen Mary, who has few, if any, superstitious beliefs, is very fond of lilac, both white and mauve, perhaps because it is always in bloom about the time of her own birthday, and lovely specimens of lilac frequently stand in her room.

On the walls are family portraits, two paintings of King George V, a small painting over the bookcase showing Princess Elizabeth as a little girl, one of the Duke of Windsor as a young man, and one or two other paintings showing Queen Mary's own forebears.

On her writing-table stand family photographs and groups, some in ornate frames, some unframed, for the whole atmosphere

of the room is intensely personal. One thing missing from her table is a telephone, for Queen Mary does not use that modern method of communication.

When the French windows are open there is a small balcony at

workboxes and a dozen tea sets, all of them destined to be given away later in the year.

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Her Christmas list is a formidable one, including many addresses in all parts of the Empire and in other parts of the world. Efficient and methodical, each year she asks the Court Postmaster at Buckingham Palace to send her a list of the latest post-dating dates for various parts of the world, and rare indeed is it for anyone, no matter how far away from London, to receive a Christmas gift from Queen Mary that is not in time for the festival.

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Marlborough House has one little-known personal and sentimental association for Queen Mary. It was in the grounds of her future home, that she first met her husband-to-be when, as a little girl of three, Queen Alexandra (then Princess of Wales) asked the Duchess of Teck if she would "send Mary to play with our little George."

Her dining-room is of comparatively small dimensions. Its walls are hung with silk in a soft shade of green. Here Her Majesty dines alone or with her guests, among whom her daughter, the Princess Royal, is one of the most frequent. On the first floor, too, are two rooms in which Queen Mary spends a great deal of her time. One is her children's gift room, and the other is her bazaar-room. Both are used as store-rooms, for the great collections of gifts of all kinds which Queen Mary keeps by her to distribute at Christmas-time, on birthdays and on other occasions throughout the year.

The bazaar-room, a large oblong apartment, is the repository for all the things Queen Mary buys at the British Industries Fair and at other places, both for her Christmas gift list and for sending to the many bazaar all over the country, the original which write to her asking for a gift.

Queen Mary never likes to refuse such an appeal, particularly when it comes, as so many of them do, from a charity in which she takes some personal interest. For many years, therefore, she kept her bazaar-room full to overflowing.

In the bazaar-room are three large wall cupboards. Queen Mary carries her love of system and order into this business of present giving, and one cupboard is reserved for personal presents, one for bazaar gifts, and the third is filled with books which Queen Mary sends as prizes to half a dozen or more schools with which she has personal association—though none of them is to be found in the public school lists.

One such is the elementary school at Kew, which Queen Mary remembers from her own days as a little girl when her mother lived at Cambridge Cottage, Kew. Another is the grammar school at Walsall, and prizes the every year from Queen Mary to the Shafesbury Homes and Arethusa training ship, and to several similar institutions.

Recipients of Queen Mary's prizes can scarcely have an idea of how much trouble the royal donor takes with them. Queen Mary chooses every book she gives as a prize herself, taking great care over the selection, discarding one book because it is too old, another because it is too young, for the age group who will receive it, selecting suitable stories for boys and others for girls, so that the prizes are really personal presents from Queen Mary and not just a book casually picked out by some official of her Household.

Some idea of the variety of the other two cupboards can be gleaned from the list of purchases which Queen Mary makes when she goes to the British Industries Fair.

On one occasion just before the war she bought 150 pieces of china ranging from jam dishes to musical jugs, 144 travelling toilet sets, 84 manicure sets, 72

workboxes and a dozen tea sets, all of them destined to be given away later in the year.

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If a tepid war gets hot

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France the kernel of any continental defence, and France has missed a whole war. Much of her organisation is related to 1918 rather than 1945. Too many of her generals are too old. And the French are allergic to co-operation unless they are in charge.

But all that has been handled now. Co-ordination, standardisation, and joint planning are well advanced. The machine is well oiled. And now it is going to get some fuel.

For here is another comfort. History's new fashion of inserting cold and tepid wars between peace and hot war works in our favour. It enables democracies—a form of government that cannot normally prepare for war and so always starts by losing—to get ready in advance.

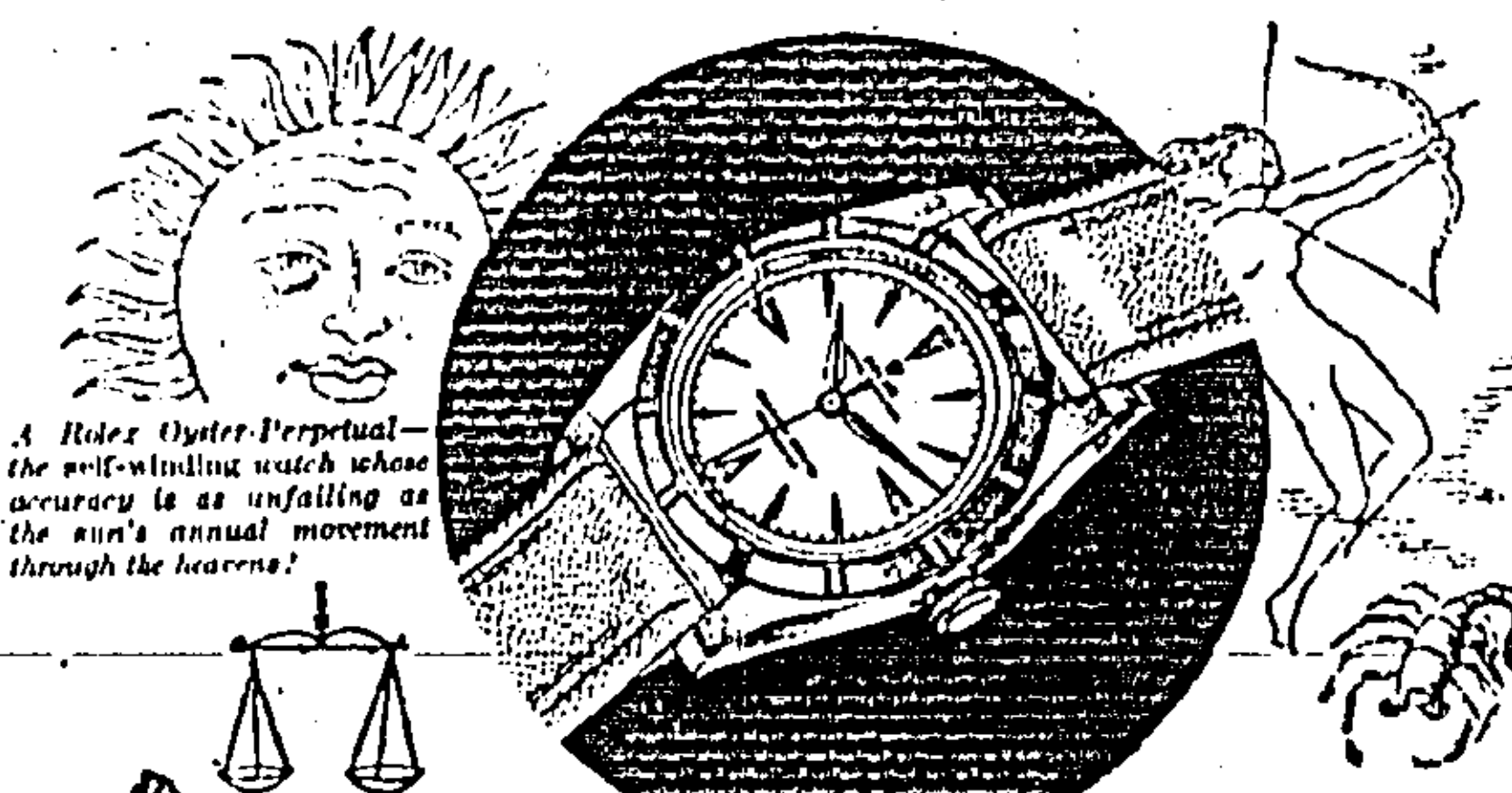
The politicians of Western Europe can, today, in technical peace-time, ask for far larger armies and far more arms than they normally could. This week they are just beginning to do it.

There are other gleams of solace. Greece's civil war is over, and so is Holland's colonial war. Italy's army is a small, select force which looks much better than anything Mussolini had. Above all, America is still ready to help generously those that help themselves.

Grounds for hope

There are grounds for hope. But it would be criminal to try to give a very optimistic summing-up of Western Europe's defences at the moment. It is better that people should think clearly about their morale should be crushed by disillusion after it has already begun.

The trouble about defence is that it is so negative and unconstructive. But at least defence is better than no defence. And so unless there is somebody in the House who can prove conclusively that Russia does not want war in any circumstances—the only logical course today is for Western Europe to push on its defence preparations as hard and as fast as it possibly can.



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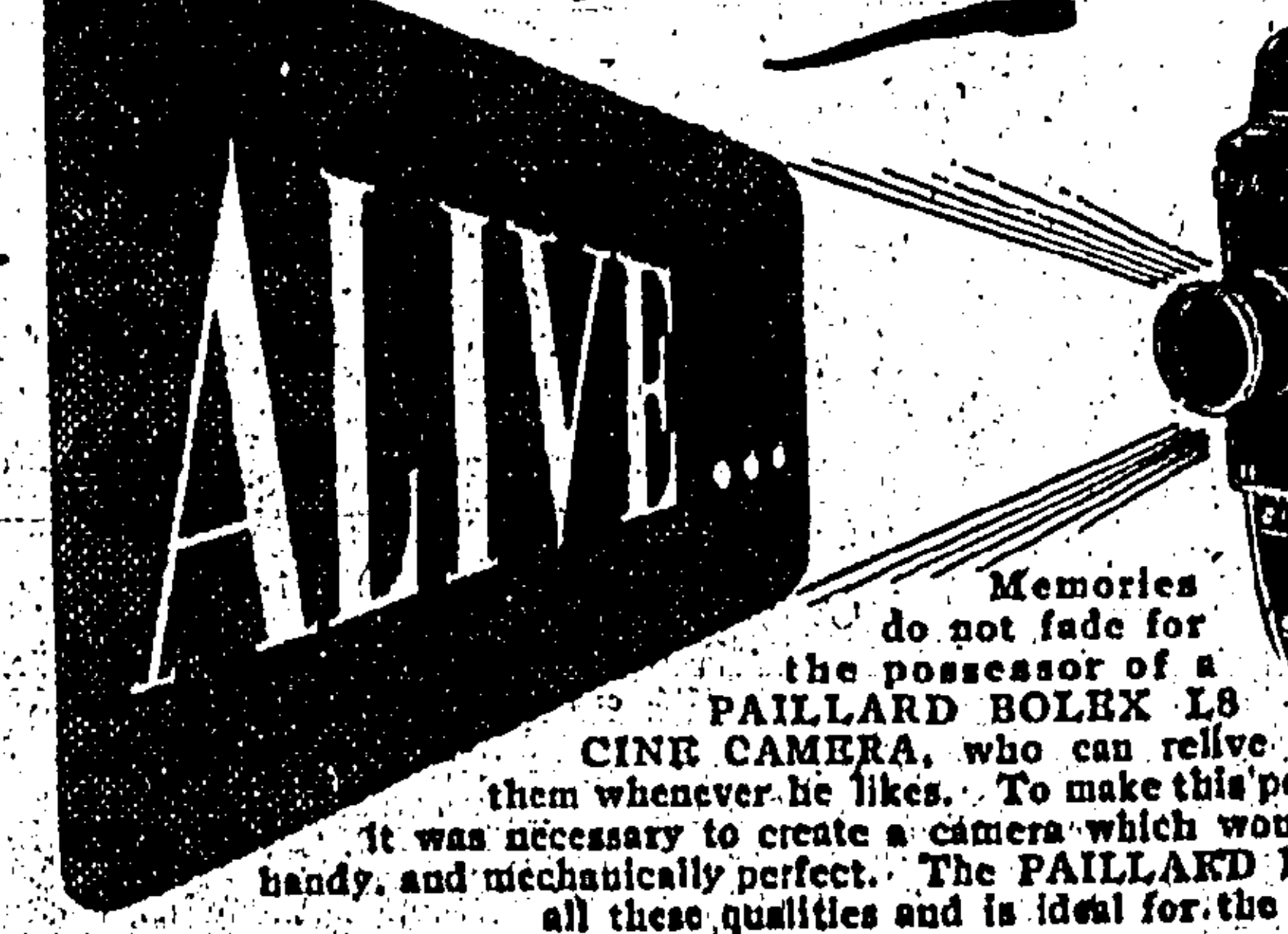
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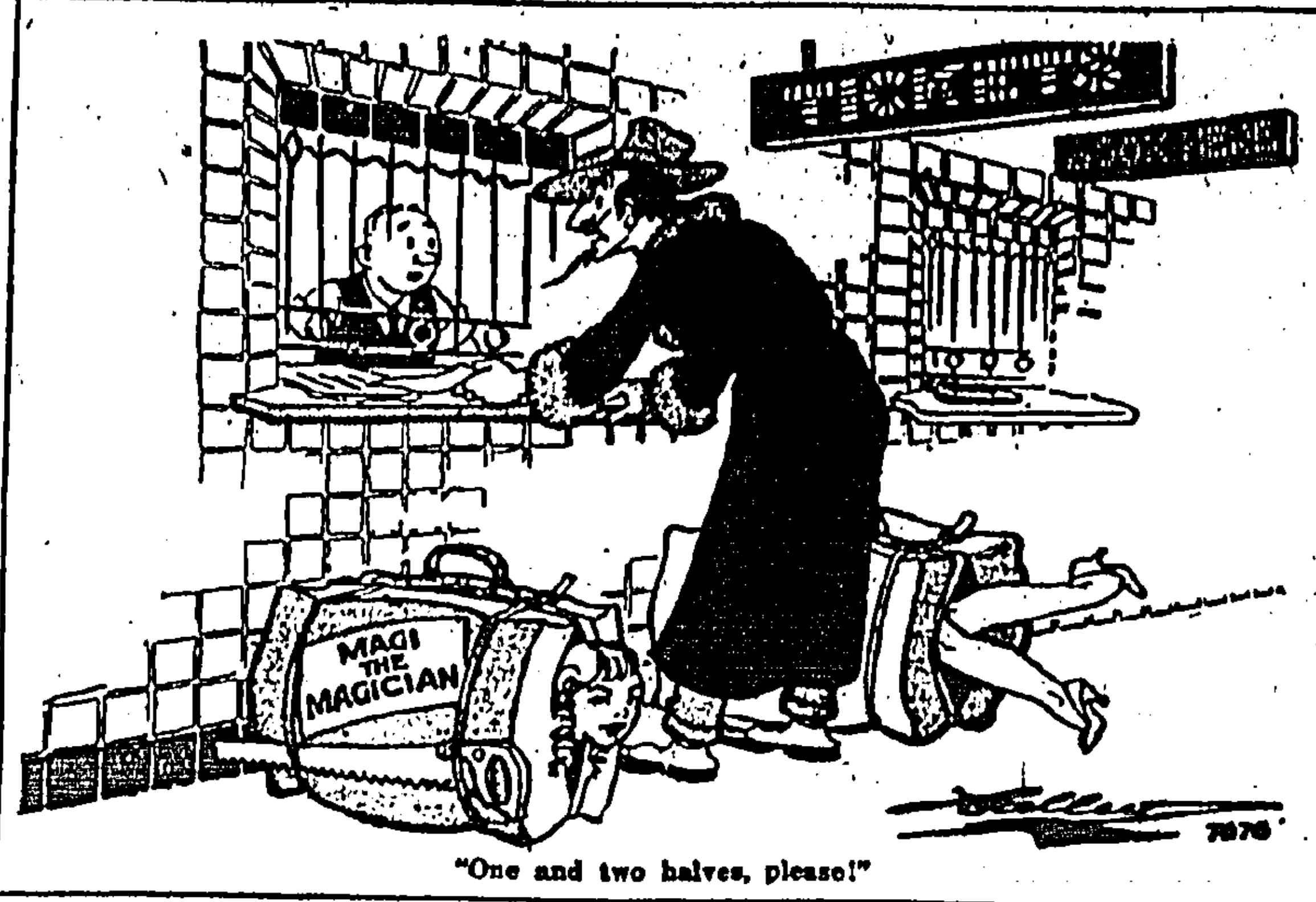
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Waiting for the dwarf

Occupation intelligence officers and Japanese Communists alike are eagerly awaiting their return from Siberia of a Japanese dwarf with a huge head and a cold smile.

His name is Katsumi Asahara. He is 32. As a Japanese army sergeant in the Siberian prison camps, he was managing editor of the Soviet propaganda daily, "Nippon Shinbun."

It is suspected that he is being groomed as a new leader of the Japanese Communist Party, split asunder by recent bitter Communist criticism of Japanese party strategy and tactics.

Fellow war-prisoners have reported that Asahara-san was the most active Japanese agent for the Soviet in the prison camps and that he mysteriously disappeared more than a year ago. As his loyal service to the Soviet would have ensured him priority for an early return to Japan, authorities in Tokyo, both American and Japanese, are inclined to believe that he is in a Communist "finishing school" in Moscow and will return to help shape and direct, openly or unofficially, the new and tougher Communist Party policy for Japan.

Asahara-san was a young Party supporter before the war, when he worked in the laboratories of a Tokyo concern known as the Scientific Enterprise Company. He served two brief prison terms for participation in Red agitation. He has a reputation as an economist as well as a writer and organizer. He had already been marked down as a coming strong man in the Party.

It is presumed that, on his return, the dwarf will join the Shingha faction of the surrendered local Party—that is, if he officially enrolls in the Party instead of working outside. Yoshio Shiga, gaunt, shaven-headed Party veteran, who served 10 years for Communist activity in Fuchu Prison, and who likes to use his fluency as well as his tongue in ideological debate, has challenged the Tokuda-Nosaka Centrist faction on the Tokyo Politburo.

Persuasive Communism

Sanzo Nosaka, Moscow-trained intimate of Mao Tse-tung and indoctrinator in long exile of Japanese war-prisoners in Yenan, sought to peddle a persuasive form of Japanese Communism on the installment plan.

He induced the Party's secretary-general, violent, leather-lunged Kyuichi Tokuda, another "Fuchu old boy" of 18 years' enrolment, to drop the unpopular "abolish the Emperor" policy line. Nosaka-san wanted to make the Communist Party an organization beloved by the people. It was he who said: "The Japanese first must be taught democracy before they will be ready for Communism. We will move slowly."

No one doubts that the long-awaited pigmy figure with the giant's head will carry latest instructions from Moscow on the new Party policy of tougher strikes, violence, sabotage, and anti-American agitation.

Already there are unmistakable signs of the development of this new policy, with the once-restrained Nosaka now boldly demanding withdrawal of all American troops from Japan and American affirmation of independence.

plausible opposition to the retention of United States bases in Japan after the peace treaty.

Managing Editor Asahara made these views points with monotonous repetition in his war-prison-

By
Richard Hughes

ers' paper. The Soviet feels that the Japanese Communist Party needs martyrs—all the better, of course, if martyred by the Americans. It would obviously be a great help if United States Occupation troops could, by direct or indirect means, be publicly associated with anti-Japanese suppression—arresting, man-handling, and, much better, firing upon Japanese workers as they "bravely struggled for their democratic rights."

New campaign

Since the Japanese Communists gently dropped the "Abolish Hirohito" campaign, many purged Japanese military officers and

young Kamikaze pilots are known to have joined the Party—officially or unofficially.

They have found it easy to reconcile the bitterness of defeat and surrender with expedient acceptance of Communism, which promises them, after all, what they sought before Pearl Harbour, a police state, founded on a variety of national Socialism, which they believe they can adapt for Japanese re-ascendancy in the Far East.

Occupation intelligence officers are waiting to see whether Asahara-san, on his mysteriously delayed return, will openly join the Party or appear to disavow it "officially," and conduct his operations as an "unofficial" leader.

His old father, a highly respected Tokyo newspaperman of the old Japanese school, still cherishes the hope that his son may be rescued from his Red ideas and ideals. He has a home and a job waiting for him and—in the Japanese family tradition—a beautiful girl specially selected to become his son's wife.

But none of his regular monthly letters to Sergeant Asahara, in his favoured position in the Siberian prison camps, has ever been acknowledged.

Inside information

By Mercury

The Siam Government, disturbed over possible sabotage in Bangkok, has introduced a dusk to dawn police vigil.

Burma is sending 200,000 tons of rice to UN for Korean refugees.

Next Communist drive is expected in Germany, where the Prussian Army, numbering 200,000, may "take over" Berlin.

Afghanistan is sending a financial mission to Washington.

The Soviets are concentrating new "Schorkel-type" submarines in the Black Sea.

British locomotive makers are investigating how a major contract for South Africa went to Germany.

Airfields in Hungary have been made available for Red atom-bomb-carrying planes.

Denmark is building air-raid shelters.

Disturbed by the Korean war hundreds of Americans have cancelled European bookings.

The Czech Skoda plant is sending motor-car parts to Australia, South Africa, and Canada.

France has told the R.A.F. to end photographic flights over North Africa.

Stalin is speeding submarine production. By January 1, 1952, he plans 1,180 of all types.

Of this total 710 will be long-range (70 knots, equipped with V-2 catapults), 200 medium for coastal defence, and 250 trainers.

Franco has sent personal messages to Washington praising G.I.s' courage in Korea.

The Cominform is to open offices in Cairo. The Soviet Embassy has been increased.

Mao Tse-tung says Formosa will be "liberated" in December.

The British Cabinet is to overhaul Britain's wartime shadow factory scheme.

In an emergency Mr. Attlee wants to be able to switch them into immediate action.

Senior Army officers are touring Britain. They will give detailed reports on anti-aircraft defences to Mr. Shinwell.

Egyptian Army and Air Force officers will arrive in Britain shortly to undergo parachute instructors' courses.

British television manufacturers, already advanced in colour research over short distances, are now experimenting up to 100 miles.

NEW YORK LETTER



Thirty young men graduated from their universities last month and came down to spend a few happy summer days at an Officers' Training Corps camp in North Carolina.

It was all going to be very quiet and informal, and no one was going to take the "live bullet" training periods too seriously.

But one evening last week they had to sit down and write to their families and future employers. For their officers had called them together, told them the informality was over.

No one said a word about volunteering. "You're all volunteers," the major told them, "you, you and you. You're in the Army now."

That was one way in which President Truman's request to Defence Secretary Louis Johnson to call such reservists as "might be necessary in view of the Korean situation" struck home.

For even if this was no general war for the United States, it was no "police action."

President Truman said no more about the "bunch of bad apples" that were attacking South Korea.

Although the comics made jokes about how one told the difference between a North and a South Korean, the mood of the people, as I see it, is one of the hardening war against North Korea.

No panic

There is no panic, there is no hysteria. But there are the casualty lists, and black wreaths are appearing in the windows.

The buses near here are on alert, the "mothball" plastic coverings are being ripped off a dozen battleships and aircraft carriers.

Events in Korea had moved far beyond the political level—to the man in the streets of little places like Charlotte.

Here, people are not worried about atomic attacks.

"If it does come to a big war, then they'll go for the big cities and the plants first," runs the line of thought.

But in downtown hotels and along suburban terraces Southerners are following the communists and front line reports with avid interest, and are blaming Defence Secretary Johnson for America's virtually complete unpreparedness.

And in between times they are becoming armchair strategists and are pronouncing heavy verdicts on the performances of their Allies.

While countries which have offered "moral support" are being regarded with perhaps more than their fair share of contempt and sneering, Britain and the Commonwealth are being cheered and praised to the skies.

All over North Carolina I have heard people say that when times are bad, with the troops losing ground, and so on, that is the time when one's real friends rush to the rescue.

We are the real friends, and it seems that all the post-war misunderstandings, dislikes and disagreements between Britain and the Americans went up in the smoke of HMS Jamaica's first Korean barrage.

As a mute tribute to Britons no one here could have known the names of Jamaica's first dead were printed in Carolina papers alongside the current U.S. Army casualty lists.

On the home front Americans found they were confronted with a battle of conscience. In that prices of cars, television sets, heavy furnishings, houses, right down to items like butter and sugar were obviously about to rocket.

Official spokesmen, chambers of commerce and club leaders appealed to everyone not to hoard, as that would sooner or later mean inflation and a menace to everyone's savings.

Many heeded the appeal to conscience, but many did not, and for example, scarce buying was so heavy that the old waiting list system had to be revived in the motor trade.

Salesmen were telling customers they would "see their good customers were all right," provided certain handouts were assured.

Cost to rearm

In Washington broad concerns were accused of unnecessary price increases, and President Truman, in his historic message, had to inform Congress that it would cost the American taxpayer 10 per cent more to rearm today than it would have done before the Josef Stalin III tanks rumbled South across the 38th Parallel.

With the return of the World War Two skirt-length, and the revival of World War Two songs like "When you wish upon a star," and "You belong to my heart," the return to World War Two hoarding and profiteering seemed to be on the way.

In one counter-move the President lightened regulations for housing credit, warned he might impose price controls and rationing and establish priorities of strategic raw materials like steel.

But America's main emphasis was on what General MacArthur called "my manpower build up." In the terminology and the daily lives of a lot of people in Charlotte and many thousands of other places far from Washington and Korea, this meant the postponement of the future while the young men left home.

NAMES IN LIGHTS

LOUIS JOHNSON, the Defence Secretary, was the only man responsible for the outgunning of American tanks by the North Koreans. In a \$350,000,000 economy drive within the U.S. Armed Forces he scrapped a modernisation plan which would have given the U.S. tanks heavier guns than the Koreans. Today, as a result, the U.S. has no tank which can match a Russian-built counterpart.

GENERAL LUCIUS CLAY was called back into semi-military service, to head the civil defence programme of New York City, which its inhabitants call the world's greatest target. Today New York has no anti-atom defence, and a small start the defender of Berlin called up some 200 spotters.

GENERAL EISENHOWER and GENERAL MARSHALL are in constant touch with the White House on the Korean crisis. They were among advisers who opposed use of the atomic bomb in North Korea.

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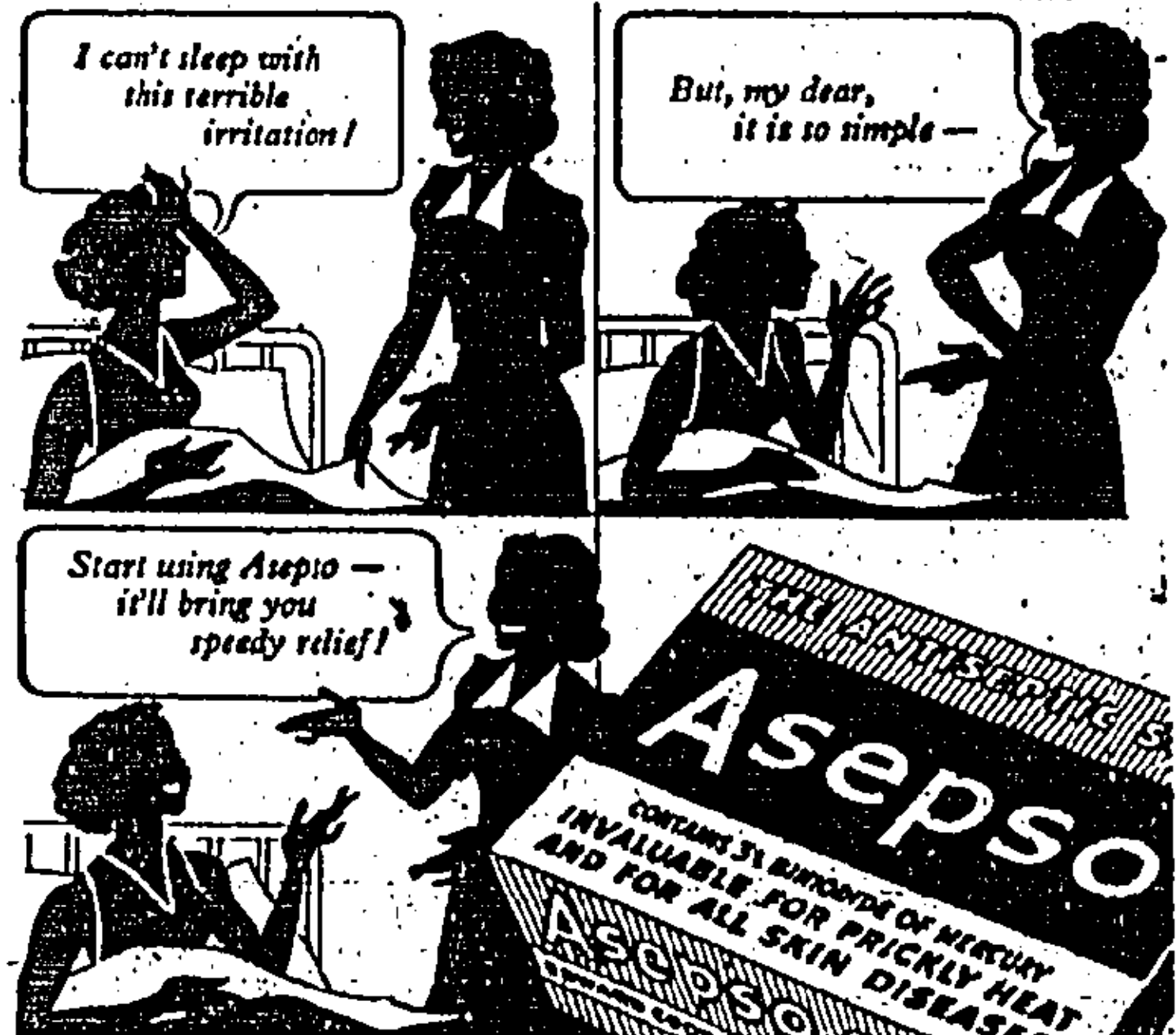
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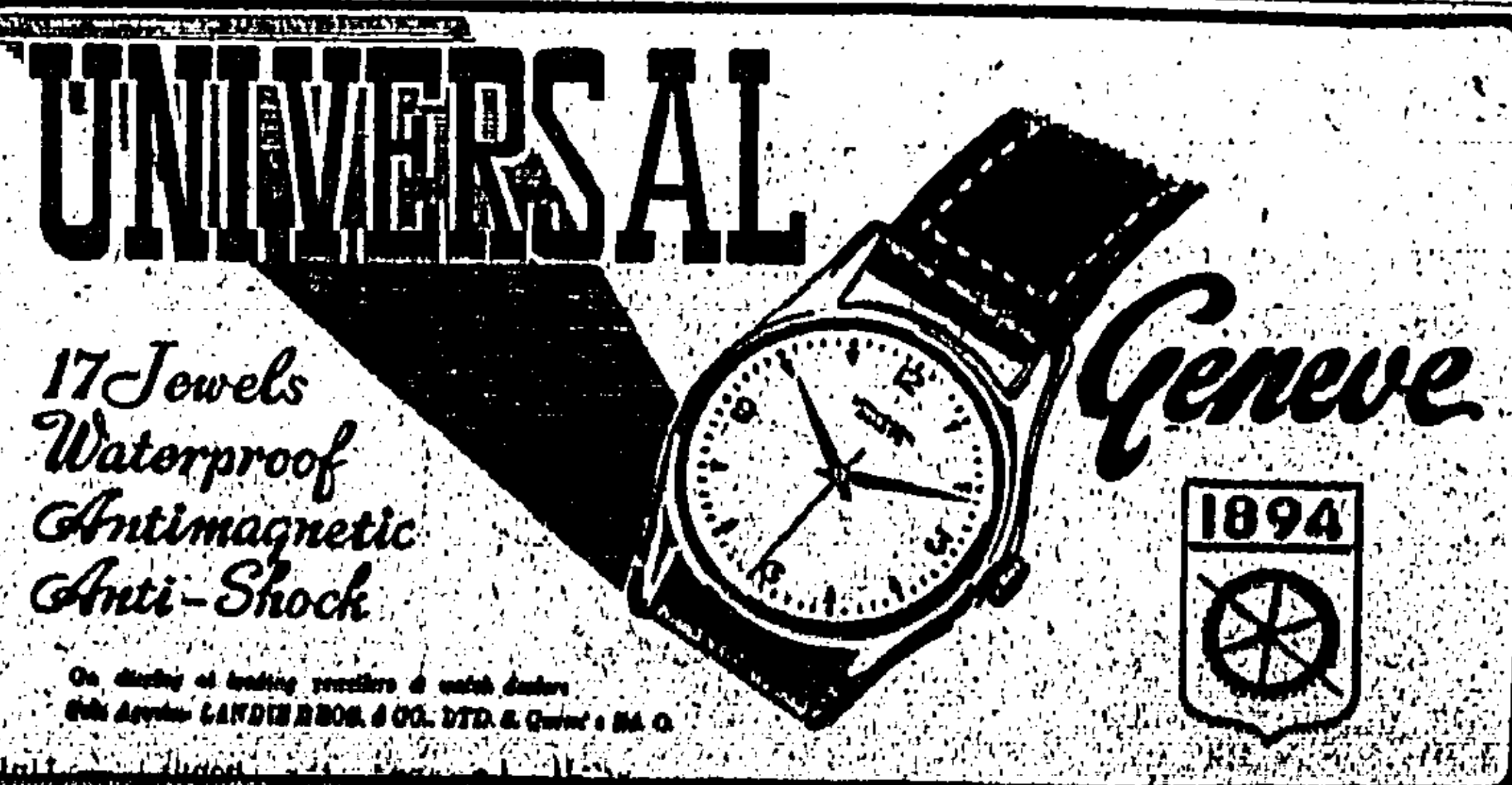
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Between Ourselves



Julie bought a jungle print

By "Janet Martin"

Julie considers herself to be a Very Smart Girl. She reads all the fashion magazines, studies all the latest trends and is really very clever at adapting them to her own use.

She always has the latest thing. Admittedly her wardrobe gets a bit cluttered for so many of the latest things go out of date so quickly that she scarcely has time to wear them—and is very hard to know beforehand which are going to last and which aren't—isn't it?

She is very particular about the choice, cut and fit of her clothes, so they always look well, and become her. She spends a lot of time and thought on planning her wardrobe, on colour schemes, on fashion details and accessories.

Accessories! Accessories are Julie's passion. She knows that they are the key to modern fashion. She loves them. But, alas! this passion has one sad failing. When it comes to accessories, Julie just doesn't know where to stop.

Julie bought a Jungle Print. She really felt very pleased with herself for, although jungle prints are in all the fashion news, they are very hard to find in the shops.

It was just the thing too—a dark navy background with enormous splashes of vivid print in a design based on tom-toms, native spears and feather head-dresses. And she could wear it too.

Moccasins sandals

Full of excitement, she called forth to look for some shoes—and again she was lucky enough to find just the very pair—natural woven straw sandals, shaped at the front rather like a moccasin and finished with bright, little patterns on the front panels.

GADGET GOSSIP

By ANN BLAKE

Life in the kitchen can be more cheerful—and simpler—with a new electric mixer which copes with all sorts of tasks in a matter of seconds.

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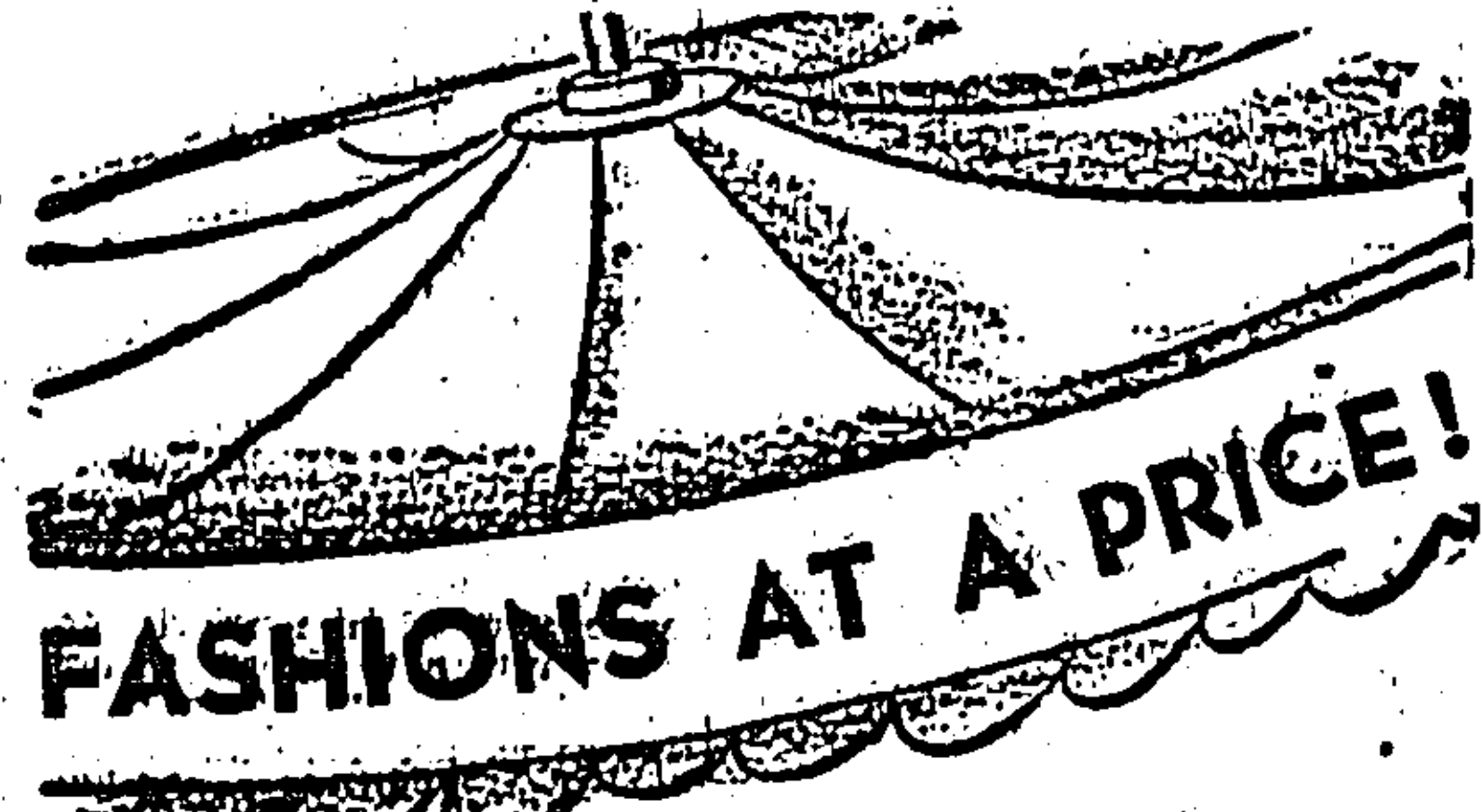
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U.S. as a woman sees it

People who know are saying that Gloria Swanson, making a comeback with her second film in 10 years, may walk off with an "Oscar."

In her 33rd picture, "Sunset Boulevard," to be released this summer, she plays the part of a silent screen star who tried desperately to make a comeback in a world which sniggers at leopard-lined cars, champagne on tap and the flamboyant overacting of Hollywood's early stars.

Gloria Swanson, in everyday life a most charming and relaxed person, says herself it is the best part she has ever had. "I do everything but ride a bicycle around the chandelier," says the diminutive five-foot-two star who at 51 looks so young that the studio had to fake her make-up to age her.

Although she insists that it isn't her own story, many of her own contemporaries of silent picture days—Cecil B. DeMille, Anna Q. Nilsson, Buster Keaton—appear with her in this epic of the half-century star who shuts herself up—in her—dusty mansion with her jewels and her fusions of film grandeur.

William Holden stars with her and Eric von Stroheim is the

morose ex-husband who used to direct her pictures and remains as her chauffeur since she will have him as nothing else.

The final scene where the now wholly mad actress, after killing her young screen-writer lover in a fit of jealousy, descends the great baroque stairway—thinking she is starring again at last—past rows of silent newspapermen and grinding cameras while the police wait for her is the culmination of a fine screen performance which ought to put Miss Swanson right back in front again.

A "beefsteak menu" is as truly New York as the baked bean is Boston.

At a true beefsteak dinner, like the one held in downtown New York recently, no man really thinks he has been given the works unless he tucks at least two and a half pounds of steak under his belt.

The present occasion lived nobly up to tradition.

No less than a ton and a half of meat figured at this function. It took several men several days to prepare.

There was steak served on a slice of bread (nobody bothered about the bread), followed by broiled lamb chops, with kidneys wrapped in bacon as a savoury.

And of course, beer—oceans of beer to wash it down.

During Prohibition days the "beefsteak" became a tame affair in private homes.

They even allowed women to creep into the picture, with their effete ideas about napkins and grapefruit as an appetizer.

Now the "beefsteak" is back in its old robust, rib-roaring form and women are banished.

A visiting French editor gave Mr. Christian Dior, the bird recently.

Madame Andreoe Castanie, managing editor of high fashion magazine, "L'Officiel," says that while American know-how in mass production of clothes can't be beaten, the French designers still supply the ideas.

"But Paris designers," she says, "don't fashion their clothes to suit Americans—or French-women either," she added a trifle bitterly.

"A man like Dior," she says, "is a bird in the country. A bird is flying. He sees a flower. That is his idea. I do not think he is thinking of any women."

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Between Ourselves

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Featuring 1950 doe-eyes...

A doe-eyed look that imports an impression of gaiety and mischief to glances shadowed by a luxurious fringe of lashes is the 1950 goal of tilted eye make-up.

To achieve the doe-eyed look, you really have to go to decided lengths with brush, crayon, and shadow to produce the narrow, strong ribbon of colour that frames the eyes, as well as the lashes.

With spectacular make-up of this description, it's everyone for herself. There are, of course, certain rules of application, but to find the most effective you will have to experiment a bit.

It's quite possible that you will discover the most charming effect is obtained by breaking some of the rules.

This is what you do to make your own version:
With a soft, sharp eyebrow-pencil draw a clean, unbroken line behind the top eyelashes from the inner to the outer corner. Keep this pencilling light for daytime, heavier for night wear.

The under-lid takes a shorter, matching curve, but has an identical tilt.

Emphasize the elongated up-sweep of each corner with mascara on the eyelashes and shadow placed at the centre of the lid and smoothed towards the temples.

A little practice should produce the requisite eye allure, which will give the spirits a welcome boost.

Word of warning

But here is a word of warning. The application of make-up in this manner is a first-class method of calling attention to eyes that are the least lit weary or under par.

Nearly everybody has heard of Trilby, lovely creature created by Du Maurier, who said that she had eyes like twin stars.

In her interesting book, "Ageless Youth," American Dr. Charlotte C. West says that Trilby must have had perfect health, as well as special beauty, for it is only by being at our physical best that the eyes retain their natural brilliance and power of expression.

A sufficient, well-balanced diet, joy in life, plenty of sleep, work wonders in keeping the eyes bright and sparkling.

We know how we look when we are tired, when we are low in mind, when we haven't had enough sleep.

A little consistent eye-care is the way to maintain the perfect balance between health and beauty.

To rest the eyes just close the lids for a few minutes. Then gently turn your eyes to the right as far as possible for a moment, then slowly turn them to the left, look upward, and slowly downward. Repeat a few times.

Eye-care

Whenever you do close eye tasks, such as sewing or reading, rest them occasionally by closing them for a few moments. In this way, or by looking at something at the end of the room or out the window.

Eye make-up without eye-care is a waste. Use an eye cream each night, an eye-bath each morning and evening. Bathe with warm water, then with cold to bring a reaction of the blood stream which will not only be beneficial to the eyes, but will have a favourable effect upon the eyelashes.

Loveliness of the eyes can be marred by their surroundings. They should be framed in firm, healthy tissues, points to keep well in mind if the vision is not normal, because the lids will partially close to keep out the light and squint lines will form.

To help prevent dryness and consequent lines, put cream around the eyes gently, using only the finger-tips. Start at the outer corner of the eye, working round underneath, continuing up and over the eyelid to the starting point. Then repeat in the opposite direction.



WITH A SOFT, sharp eyebrow-pencil draw in the curved, tilted outline shown above. Emphasize the up-sweep at the outer corners with eye-shadow and mascara.

Eyes that smart or burn are refreshed by the homely boracic-acid bath solution, or your chemist will recommend a stimulating eye lotion.

Swollen eyelids are said to be quite often due to emotional strain or loss of sleep. Another point for the beauty-seeking contingent to keep in mind, if worry is a habit, is to arrange a worry-hour during the daytime instead of night, when lack of sleep takes extra toll.

Proper diet

You can eat your way to clearer, sparkling eyes through thoughtful choice of foods. Just as you can help clear your complexion, help yourself to heal their hair, and build up strong fingernails with selected vitamins and minerals.

Vitamin A and C foods have been singled out as particularly

helpful to the eyes. That does not mean they are the only two important food factors, for eyes also need, ribo-flavin, certain minerals, and other foods.

Green and yellow vegetables, liver, spinach, and broccoli are foods rich in A vitamins, while Vitamin C is found in fresh fruits and vegetables, especially orange and tomato juices.

Eye colour, as well as size, spacing, and depth, is a true index of personality, character analysis reveal.

The owner of brown eyes, is credited with being affectionate and sincere. Blue eyes denote the optimist and dreamer.

It is suggested that black eyes show wit and ambition for power, while hazel eyes go with a happy and active nature.

Green eyes are usually associated with talent and a shrewd mind, and grey as a mark of wisdom and perseverance.

London children put on weight, height

By Rhona Churchill

London's children (and possibly the whole nation's) are getting bigger and better every year if their current heights and weights are any criterion.

Today little Johnny Smith at 11 is as tall and heavy as his elder brother was ten years ago at 11 1/2. Mary Jane, similarly, has outstripped her elder sister by three months' growth.

Last year school teachers all over London were asked to join in a survey to find out the average weights and heights of pupils of all ages.

Twenty-one thousand children stood against the wall, to be measured, doctored, numbered, and the details were sent to Sir Allen Daley, M.D., the LCC's School Medical Officer of Health.

Bombing effects?

Object of the exercise, among other things, was to find out whether the children were getting the right kind of food at their school meals, and what had been the effect of early-age bombing on the physique of the children.

The results of this survey will be published shortly.

It has been found that girls weigh proportionately more than boys throughout their school life, but do not always top them in height.

They can look down on boys of their own age until they are 12, then the boys begin to sprout more quickly, and at 14 and 15 it is the boys who are the taller.

How they grow

In the past 10 years the average height of London's school children at any age has increased by three-quarters of an inch, and their weight by one and three-quarter pounds.

Boys of 10, for instance, are three-quarters of an inch taller than they were one and one-third years ago, and their weight has increased by three-quarters of a pound.

Experts say that this increase leaves the ratio between height and weight unchanged, and means that both bone and flesh have increased at the same pace.

Here, for instance, are the new average rates for three age groups of London children.

BOYS			
Age	1939	1949	
5 1/2 years	3ft. 6.85in.	3ft. 7.45in.	
10 1/2 years	4ft. 5.07in.	4ft. 6.29in.	
13 1/2 years	4ft. 10.00in.	4ft. 11.9 in.	
15 1/2 years	5ft. 0.59in.	5ft. 1.00in.	
18 1/2 years	5ft. 13.19in.	5ft. 0.1 lb.	
19 1/2 years	5ft. 0.3 lb.	5ft. 10 lb.	

GIRLS

Age	1939	1949	
5 1/2 years	3ft. 6.87in.	3ft. 7.22in.	
10 1/2 years	4ft. 5.42in.	4ft. 6.21in.	
13 1/2 years	4ft. 11.92in.	5ft. 0.47in.	
15 1/2 years	5ft. 13.51in.	5ft. 0.7 lb.	
18 1/2 years	5ft. 12.97in.	5ft. 0.7 lb.	
19 1/2 years	5ft. 12.20in.	5ft. 2 lb.	

The survey suggests that these London children are not merely heavier and taller than their parents were, but are members of a generation of altogether greater physique.

And it gives credit to school meals for the fact that nature while increasing the size of Britain's children, has been able to maintain her own balance between weight and height.

War conditions do not seem to have affected the growth of children in any area, in which children's development was hampered during the war, increases in growth are as outstanding as in the quieter suburbs.

Those districts which produced taller than average children in 1939 still do so, but the average increase is proportionately good in these poorer districts, where children were often shorter.

All this indicates that the old scales on the chemist's weight cards will have to be revised.

Ann Temple

In-law trouble

My mother-in-law is a very dominating woman, also, and she is a very difficult time working in the family business, for between his duty to his parents and to his wife.

But I feel I must make a stand. The family are making more and heavier demands on him. He is the only one who can drive, and they are always using our car. I can't have it when I want it. What would be the most tactful way of telling him?—MARRIED TO MY FAMILY.

Make the stand with him, not against him, or you make things even more difficult for him. He has to be the one to say "No" when unfair demands are made, so work out together just where the dividing line is between his business duties and his private life, and in what things your position as his wife must not be unfairly subordinated to consideration for his parents.

He will then know how much he can concede without upsetting you and where he must himself make a stand and have you with him to back him up.

For instance, you could justifiably make a stand about the car. You want it occasionally, naturally. If they ask for it at the same time for anything connected with the business, he can say you want it. No bones about it. He makes your stand the prior claim as a matter of course.

By far the wisest policy is to pull with him as far as you can for them, and with him against them whenever you feel they are taking unfair advantage of him.

I have been squashed flat by a very attractive girl. I asked her, not meaning to be taken seriously, why she didn't like me. She took me up on the nail, and said: "Your manners are so insensitive."

I can understand she meant more than standing up, but standing up, door-opening, etc. but I can't pin down this "insensitive" business. Hope you will help.—PETE.

Best done my question today. If you have to answer "Yes" to any of these, you qualify.

1. Do you talk about other girls whom you have taken out?
2. Do you let your eyes wander when you are being spoken to?
3. Are you conceited? Especially on the score of your attractiveness to women?
4. Do you always bring the conversation back to the things that interest you?
5. Do you make audible disparaging comments on people or places in restaurants or parties?

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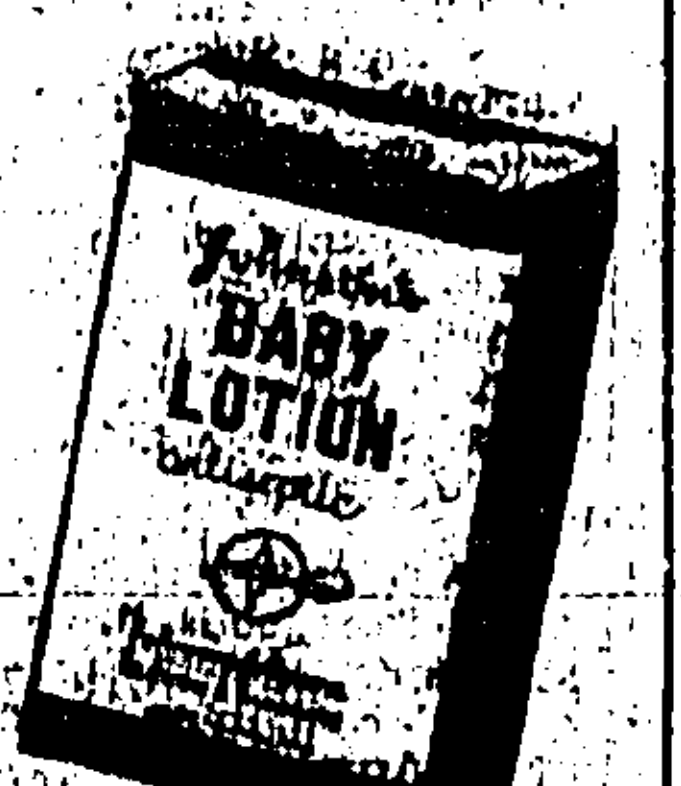
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CRAIGENGOWER DRAW WITH KBGC

HKFC beat PRC; Recreio "Blue" win

Close finishes featured several of the Lawn Bowls League games played yesterday, particularly in the First Division where Craigenower Cricket Club, last year's Champions, battled the Kowloon Bowling Green Club to a draw. Each side scored 56 shots, but the Champions, by virtue of their winning on two rinks, collected three out of five points.

Hong Kong Football Club beat Police Recreation Club by six shots at Happy Valley, the final score being 60-54 in favour of the Club.

Club de Recreio "Blue" easily accounted for Club de Recreio "White," winning by 30 shots and on all rinks, the final score being 75-45.

Kowloon Dockers Club defeated Kowloon Cricket Club on two rinks and five shots, the final score being 52-47.

In the Second Division, Indian Recreation Club beat Tai Koo Dockers Club 56-40, while Hong Kong Cricket Club trounced Prison Officers Club by 20 shots and on all rinks.

Kowloon Cricket Club swamped Kowloon Bowling Green Club 85-49, while Filipino Club faltered in their match against Hong Kong Football Club at King's Park and lost by five shots.

Kowloon Dockers Club, by virtue of their victory over Kowloon Cricket Club in the Third Division, are now strong favourites for the title. The Dockers team won by 85 shots to 52.

Indian Recreation Club beat Craigenower Cricket Club by 70 shots to 59, while Police Recreation Club overcame Hong Kong Electric Recreation Club by 64 shots to 53.

FIRST DIVISION

HKFC—PRC

Playing at home yesterday in a First Division Lawn Bowls League match, Hong Kong Football Club beat Police Recreation Club by six shots, the final score being 60-54.

The Police team, however, scored one and half points, as one rink won and another tied.

HKFC	PRC
E. Tuck	D. Taylor
H. Crook	P. Channing
T. Pilo	C. Pilo
N.J. Bebbington	W. McHardy
(Skip)	(Skip)
A. McKenzie	A. Marvin
J. Urquhart	C. Pope
B.I. Bickford	H. Brown
A.L. Roberts	W. Cameron
(Skip)	(Skip)
A. McKinnon	N. Sealer
W.V. Field	F. Hollands
O. O'Grady	G. Perkins
M.N. Bakken	C. Downman
(Skip)	(Skip)
Total	60
Total	54

CCC—KBGC

The First Division Lawn Bowls League match at Happy Valley yesterday between Craigenower Cricket Club and Kowloon Bowling Green Club ended in a draw, each side scoring 56 shots.

CCC	KBGC
D.A. Rozario	L. Gaddi
G.C. Jorge	A. Plume
G.A. Souza	G. Thompson
J.S. Landolt	W.C. Simpson
(Skip)	(Skip)
G. Hone	C.C. Norman
S. Leonard	D. Trail
J.W. Leonard	V. Chittenden
A.E. Coates	A.L.G. Eastman
(Skip)	(Skip)
F. Lee	J. Thindall
J.H. Xavier	A. Steven
E. el Arcull	A.E. Greenwood
W.C. Ogley	L. Sykes
(Skip)	(Skip)
Total	55
Total	55

Recreio "B" win

Winning on all rinks, Club de Recreio "Blue" beat Recreio "White" in their First Division Lawn Bowls League match at King's Park yesterday by 30 shots, the final score being 75-45.

Recreio "B"	Recreio "W"
N. A. Beltrao	R. M. V. Ribeiro
A. P. Pereira	P. A. da Costa
R. F. Luz	A. da Noronha
J. A. Luz	G. W. Ribeiro
(Skip)	(Skip)
G. A. Guterres	L. S. Silva
C. E. Marques	J. P. Xavier
C. C. Pereira	M. A. Enlenda
J. E. Noronha	H. R. Ozeiro
(Skip)	(Skip)
J. C. Romedez	I. R. Pina
A. V. Gossano	A. M. Alves
C. E. Rodrigues	C. P. Basto
J. E. V. Ribeiro	C. Rozo
(Skip)	(Skip)
Total	75
Total	45

KDC—KCC

In a First Division Lawn Bowls League match played at Happy Valley yesterday, Kowloon Dockers Club beat Kowloon Cricket Club by five shots, the final score being 52-47.

KDC	KCC
W. Davidson	F. R. Kermint
H. G. Cooper	G. R. Rossetti
J. A. Ramsay	E. R. Rossetti
A. Marshall	C. S. Rossetti
(Skip)	(Skip)
R. Lapeley	V. Labrum
W. Marshall	A. V. Lopes
W. McCall	J. Wong
J. Fraser	E. C. Fincher
(Skip)	(Skip)
W. Riley	K. Thompson
R. Morrison	J. Robertson
R. Gaurin	J. O'Connell
A. Pearson	A. J. Kew
(Skip)	(Skip)
Total	52
Total	47

SECOND DIVISION

IRC—TDC

At Sookunpoo yesterday, Indian Recreation Club beat Tai Koo Dockers Club in a Second Division Lawn Bowls League match by eight shots, the final score being 56-48. The home team won on two rinks, to score four out of five points.

IRC	TDC
A. M. Kadler	A. Steven
E. H. Marker	W. McCall
M. Y. Adal	J. B. Baxter
I.M.A. Ramjahn	J. H. Kimbrough
(Skip)	(Skip)
D. M. A. Razack	R. B. Griffin
A. O. Madder	W. B. Dwyer
A. M. Ramjahn	W. G. McKie
I. Ali	J. C. Chalmers
(Skip)	(Skip)
S. O. Bux	B. G. Baker
A. H. Seemim	C. Novak
A. A. Razack	R. B. Marshall
A. M. Wahab	S. J. Pollock
(Skip)	(Skip)
Total	56
Total	48

HKCC—POC

Hong Kong Cricket Club beat Prison Officers Club in a Second Division Lawn Bowls League match at Chater Road yesterday by 20 shots, the final score being 70-50.

HKCC	POC
D. Phillips	A. Salaman
T. Fairburn	D. M. Miller
P. Kennedy	D. A. Nevish
R. A. Edwards	W. C. Higgs
(Skip)	(Skip)
E. W. Anniker	S. Maslen
G. W. Sewell	A. Bond
P. S. Cassidy	J. Burrs
W. Williamson	G. Woodward
(Skip)	(Skip)
F. D. Angus	A. Gemmill
K. Johnston	L. McTavish
H. E. Starks	M. Scott
A. E. Howkins	J. McCutcheon
(Skip)	(Skip)
Total	70
Total	50

FC—HKFC

Entertaining the Hong Kong Football Club in a Second Division Lawn Bowls match, at King's Park yesterday, the Filipino Club lost to their guests by five shots, the final score being 58-53.

FC	HKFC
C.M. Castilho	Smith
T. Hunt	J. Heaton
J. Delgado	E. L. Strange
J. J. Cotton	K. Forrow
(Skip)	(Skip)
V. Neves	J. Skinner
A. Y. Lee	D. H. Henderson
F. J. Rodrigues	J. Watson
W. J. Howard	T. Morgan
(Skip)	(Skip)
F. G. Luz	L. G. Young
L. J. Castilho	R. J. Wyper

LAWN BOWLS RESULTS AT A GLANCE

FIRST DIVISION			
HKFC	(18) 60	PRC	(13) 54
CCC	(2) 55	KBGC	(1) 55
Rec "B"	(3) 75	Rec "W"	(0) 45
KDC	(2) 52	KCC	(1) 47

SECOND DIVISION			
IRC	(2) 56	TDC	(1) 48
HKCC	(3) 70	POC	(0) 50
FC	(1) 53	HKFC	(2) 58
KCC	(2) 55	KBGC	(1) 49

THIRD DIVISION			
IRC	(2) 70	CCC	(1) 59
PRC	(2) 64	HKFC	(1) 63
KCC	(1) 52	KDC	(2) 65

League tables

FIRST DIVISION									
Team	P	W	L	D	Up	Down	Pts	Shots	Opp
Rec "B"	0	7	2	0	161	0	35	161	35
IRC	7	7	0	0	131	0	30	131	30
Rec "W"	10	6	4	0	9	0	20 1/2	9	20 1/2
KDC	8	4	4	0	0	3	21	0	21
CCC	8	3	5	0	0	81	30	81	30
HKFC	8	3	5	0	0	46	10 1/2	46	10 1/2
KCC	8	3	5	0	0	2	10	2	10
KBGC	8	2	6	0	1	41	10	41	10
PRC	8	0	8	0	0	130	4	130	4

SECOND DIVISION									
Team	P	W	L	D	Up	Down	Pts	Shots	Opp
IRC	12	6	6	0	126	0	34	126	34
TDC	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
KCC	10	6	4	0	1	92	0	92	0
POC	12	6	6	0	22	0	29 1/2	22	29 1/2
HKFC	10	5	5	0	0	54	23	54	23
KBGC	10	3	7	0	0	138	17	138	17

THIRD DIVISION									
Team	P	W	L	D	Up	Down	Pts	Shots	Opp
KDC	9	7	2	0	131	0	31 1/2	131	31 1/2
Rec "B"	9	0	9	0	0	10	26 1/2	10	26 1/2
IRC	9	0	9	0	71	0	25 1/2	71	25 1/2
HKFC	8	3	4	1	4	0	20	4	20
PRC	8	3	5	0	0	71	10	71	10
KCC	11	2	8	1	0	127	17 1/2	127	17 1/2
CCC	8	3	5	0	1	0	10	1	10

KCC—KBGC									
Team	P	W	L	D	Up	Down	Pts	Shots	Opp
M. T. Nunes	12	6	6	0	126	0	34	126	34
R. Bana	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
(Skip)	12	6	6	0	1	92	0	92	0
Total	53	34	34	0	53	34	34	53	34

KCC—KBGC									
Team	P	W	L	D	Up	Down	Pts	Shots	Opp
H. Gittins	12	6	6	0	126	0	34	126	34
H. Jones	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
J. Tang	12	6	6	0	1	92	0	92	0
A. E. Y. Guest	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
(Skip)	12	6	6	0	1	92	0	92	0
V. Heley	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
W. H. Cowie	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
F. Howarth	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
W. Butterworth	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
(Skip)	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
J. A. Tibble	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
T. E. Baker	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
C. E. Resciet	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
T. Loche	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
(Skip)	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
Total	53	34	34	0	53	34	34	53	34

KCC—KBGC									
Team	P	W	L	D	Up	Down	Pts	Shots	Opp
H. Gittins	12	6	6	0	126	0	34	126	34
H. Jones	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
J. Tang	12	6	6	0	1	92	0	92	0
A. E. Y. Guest	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
(Skip)	12	6	6	0	1	92	0	92	0
V. Heley	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
W. H. Cowie	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
F. Howarth	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
W. Butterworth	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
(Skip)	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
J. A. Tibble	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
T. E. Baker	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
C. E. Resciet	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
T. Loche	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
(Skip)	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
Total	53	34	34	0	53	34	34	53	34

KCC—KDC									
Team	P	W	L	D	Up	Down	Pts	Shots	Opp
G. T. May	12	6	6	0	126	0	34	126	34
C. Bowell	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
H. A. Triggs	12	6	6	0	1	92	0	92	0
W. J. Keadles	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
(Skip)	12	6	6	0	1	92	0	92	0
M. A. Grampel	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
C. Ingledew	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
W. Baker	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
L. Brezney	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
(Skip)	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
A. Fung	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
H. Riddale	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
J. Hedman	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
C. I. Stripton	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
(Skip)	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
Total	52	34	34	0	52	34	34	52	34

THIRD DIVISION									
Team	P	W	L	D	Up	Down	Pts	Shots	Opp
IRC	12	6	6	0	126	0	34	126	34
CCC	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
PRC	12	6	6	0	1	92	0	92	0
KBGC	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
KCC	12	6	6	0	1	92	0	92	0
KDC	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
Total	70	42	42	0	70	42	42	70	42

PRC—HKFC									
Team	P	W	L	D	Up	Down	Pts	Shots	Opp
A. Y. Lee	12	6	6	0	126	0	34	126	34
F. J. Rodrigues	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
W. J. Howard	12	6	6	0	1	92	0	92	0
(Skip)	12	6	6	0	1	79	0	79	0
A. B. Kitchell	12	6	6	0	126	0	34	126	34
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Aquatics:

OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCES AT VRC-CHINESE "Y" MEET

Two Colony records were equalled at the VRC-Chinese YMCA dual Aquatic Meet which was held at the Victoria Recreation Club last night and which attracted a large attendance.

Victor Matluk of the Victoria Recreation Club won the Senior Men's 100 yards Back Stroke in grand style and did it in 68.4 seconds, which equalled the record made in 1948 by A. V. Lopes.

Miss Kwok Kam-ngor of the Chinese YMCA equalled the record of 82.4 seconds in winning the 100 yards breast-stroke. The record was set in 1948 by Mrs. Lykke Rose, who came second in the event last night.

The Meet was divided into three Sections—Senior Men's, Junior Men's and Ladies—and altogether 14 events were contested.

The YMCA won both the Men's Sections, but lost to the VRC in the Ladies' Section through their relay team being disqualified after winning the race.

The winners in the Senior Men's and the Ladies' Sections were decided in the last events of each Section, the 4 x 50 yards relay.

The most exciting race of the evening, from the spectators' point of view, was the opening event, the Senior Men's 100 yards free-style.

The four swimmers, F. X. Montelero and Robert Low for VRC and Choi Lee-hang and Lau Tai-bing for the Chinese YMCA, got off to an almost perfect start.

All the swimmers reached the first turn simultaneously, but after 50 yards had been swum Choi led, with Lau a close second. Montelero was a bad fourth about four yards behind the leader.

"Pride of VRC"

Montelero increased the strength of his strokes in the third length and gradually overtook Low and Lau. At the end of 75 yards he was level with Choi.

Both he and Choi emerged level from the turn, but Choi had no answer to the sudden turn of speed put up by the "Pride of VRC" and Montelero won by about a body-length, with Choi second.

The spectators were treated to another fine race between R. Low and Lau Tai-bing, who fought it out for third place. Lau, however, managed to draw away from Low in the final 25 yards and took the minor position.

In the Senior Men's 100 yards back-stroke, V. Matluk took an early lead from Chan Cheuk-wah and Young Yu-kwan and gradually increased it as the race progressed. Had he been pressed the Colony's record would surely have been broken, but as it was, the record was only equalled.

In the Ladies 100 yards breast-stroke, Mrs. Lykke Rose led after the starting plunge, but Kwok Kam-ngor soon caught up and together they fought for the lead during the first 50 yards.

After the second turn, Kwok obtained a slight lead and in the final 25 yards she increased it and won comfortably by two yards from Mrs. Rose.

Her time of 82.4 seconds equalled the existing record set by Mrs. Lykke Rose in 1948.

A grand race

The Ladies' 100 yards free-style also produced a grand race. The four swimmers were Cynthia Eager, Doris Barton (VRC) and Kwok Ngan-hon and Fung Ying-chi for Chinese YMCA.

Cynthia Eager led at the start, but before the first turn had been reached, Kwok Ngan-hon had drawn level. Together, they raced down the second length of the pool and after the second turn, Kwok drew away from Cynthia Eager.

Fung Ying-chi and Doris Barton were having a duel on their own for the minor position about five yards behind the leaders.

After the turn into the last length of the race, Cynthia Eager produced a sudden sprint which took her past Kwok Ngan-hon and, seemingly edged on by the excited spectators, she went on to win by a body-length from Kwok Ngan-hon.

Fung Ying-chi and Doris Barton fought for third place over the last 25 yards and the Chinese YMCA swimmer just managed to reach the wall about a yard in front of Doris Barton.

As the VRC had only three ladies, Joan Eager being unable to swim after taking part in the 100 yards back-stroke in which she was disqualified, Cynthia Eager swam both the first and last legs of the relay.

Swimming against Wong Yuk-bing in the first leg, Cynthia Eager gradually drew away from her rival and gave Doris Barton a lead of several yards. However, Doris Barton could not cope with the speedy Kwok Ngan-hon and lost the advantage for her team.

Start on equal terms

Both Fung Ying-chi and Mrs. Lykke Rose started their leg of the relay on equal terms and ended the same way. However, so-oil-in jumped in before her team-mate touched the wall and although she drew away from the tiring Cynthia Eager in the last few yards, the Chinese YMCA team was disqualified and the race went to VRC, who thus won the Ladies' Section of the Meet by 11 points to nine.

The Junior Men's relay was won easily by the Chinese YMCA in the time of one minute and 50 seconds.

The Senior Men's relay was also won by the Chinese YMCA, a victory which enabled them to triumph in that division by 14 points to 13.

The final point scores were: Senior Men's Section: VRC 13—YMCA 14.

Junior Men's Section: VRC 4—YMCA 23.
Ladies' Section: VRC 11—YMCA 10.

Silver spoons presented

At the conclusion of the Meet, silver spoons were presented to the winners by Mrs. A. O. de Sales, wife of Mr. Sales, Secretary of the Victoria Recreation Club.

In a speech, Mr. Sales congratulated V. Matluk and Miss Kwok Kam-ngor on their performances in equalling a Colony record. He also congratulated all the swimmers who took part in the Meet for the fine sportsmanship displayed by them.

Mr. Sales added that the Meet was held on a rather singular occasion, as several distinguished guests, including Mr. and Mrs. J. Skinner, Mr. Ma Man-fai and other members of the Hong Kong Football Association, were present.

He said that their presence during the Meet marked the new sporting spirit which had been engendered in Hong Kong with the formation of the Hong Kong Amateur Sports Federation.

He also thanked Mr. S. Y. Pang of the Chinese YMCA for bringing such a large contingent of swimmers to compete in the dual Meet.

Mr. Sales made mention of the friendship between the Chinese YMCA and the Victoria Recreation Club during the past years.

Adding that each year they had competed against each other in friendly Aquatic Meets, he expressed the hope that the Meets would continue in the years to come.

Mr. S. Y. Pang presented a pennant to Mr. Sales and said that each year they had enjoyed the hospitality of the Victoria Recreation Club.

Mr. Pang said that the Chinese YMCA would like to reciprocate the hospitality extended to them by the members of the Victoria Recreation Club and if possible they would like to invite the Victoria Recreation Club to hold a Meet in their pool, if not this year then next year.

After the prizes had been distributed Miss Cynthia Eager presented a bouquet of pink lilies to Mrs. Sales.

Results

The following are the results: Men's Events (Senior Section): VRC 13—YMCA 14.

100 Yards Free Style: 1. F. X. Montelero (VRC); 2. Choi Lee-hang (YMCA); Time: 87.2 seconds.

100 Yards Back Stroke: 1. V. Matluk (VRC); 2. Chan Cheuk-wah (YMCA); Time: 68.4 seconds (equals Colony record).

220 Yards Free Style: 1. F. X. Montelero (VRC); 2. V. Matluk (VRC); Time: 2 minutes, 31.4 seconds.

100 Yards Breast Stroke: 1. Chan Cheuk-wah (YMCA); 2. Chan Cheuk-wah (YMCA); Time: 1 minute, 43.6 seconds.

Men's Events (Junior Section): VRC 4—YMCA 23.

100 Yards Free Style: 1. Lau Kam-hung (YMCA); 2. Wu Chi-yin (YMCA); Time: 62.4 seconds.

100 Yards Back Stroke: 1. Sum Kam-chi (YMCA); 2. Pau Koon-ku (YMCA); Time: 78.4 seconds.

100 Yards Breast Stroke: 1. Lo Young-chung (YMCA); 2. Leung Hin-yuen (VRC); Time: 79.4 seconds.

220 Yards Free Style: 1. Lau Kam-hung (YMCA); 2. Lau Kam-hung (YMCA); Time: 2 minutes, 40.0 seconds.

4 x 50 Yards Relay: 1. Chinese YMCA (Lau Kam-hung, Tong Cheung-sing, Wong Tong-cheung and Lau Kam-hung); 2. VRC (P. Thompson, D. Colloco, I. Erickson and M. Clemen); Time: 1 min 50 sec.

Ladies' Section: VRC 11—YMCA 10.

100 Yards Free Style: 1. Cynthia Eager (VRC); 2. Kwok Ngan-hon (YMCA); Time: 82.4 sec.

100 Yards Breast Stroke: 1. Kwok Kam-ngor (VRC); 2. Wong Yuk-bing (YMCA); Time: 82.4 sec.

4 x 50 Yards Relay: 1. VRC (Cynthia Eager, Doris Barton, Lykke Rose and Cynthia Eager); 2. Chinese YMCA (Joan Eager, Cynthia Eager, Joan Eager and Cynthia Eager); Time: 1 min 50 sec.

LOOKING BACKWARD OF HISTORY REPEATING ITSELF.

About 30 years ago we lost everything—A Mr. Felton.

of Australia beat our ERNEST BARRY for the Sculling Championship.

JIM DRISCOLL the greatest of them all was stopped by CHARLES LEDOUX.

Some more Australians in McDonald, Gregory and Mailey knocked our stumps to pieces.

Georges CARPENTIER.

Suzanne LENGLEN did as she pleased with our young ladies at Wimbledon.

We did however retain two titles. Cambridge won the boat race and Jimmy WILDE was still the mighty atom in the boxing world.

Knocked all our heavy-weights to pieces.

GERALD PATTERSON of Australia smashed a Britisher off the tennis court.

At a meeting of the Chinese National Amateur Athletic Federation yesterday, it was decided to send a soccer team to Singapore for the second post-war All-Chinese Interport match for the "Ho Ho" Cup.

Eighteen players will be selected to make the trip, accompanied by Mr. Lee Tak-kee and possibly Mr. Lee Wai-tong, China's soccer idol.

As the team will be playing several friendly games after the "Ho Ho" Cup match, which is due to be played on August 27, the meeting emphasised that the selected players must return to Hong Kong in time for the Stanley Shield soccer games, which will commence on Saturday, September 16.

It was announced at yesterday's meeting that a letter had been received from the Malaysian Chinese Football Association stating that all arrangements had been completed for the holding of the game.

The M.C.F.A. had, however, made it clear in their letter that before the Interport and other games could be played, the C.N.A.A.F. would be required to produce documentary proof showing that the Hong Kong Football Association had given the team permission to play soccer in Singapore and Malaya.

The C.N.A.A.F. was also requested to apply to the Hong Kong Immigration Authorities for the necessary travel documents and to send to the M.C.F.A. particulars regarding the Hong Kong players for submission to the Controller of Immigration, Singapore.

Share of gate receipts.

It was disclosed at the meeting that, by mutual agreement, it had been arranged that the Hong Kong team should receive 60 per cent of the net gate receipts from the "Ho Ho" Cup match.

In its letter to the C.N.A.A.F. confirming this arrangement, the M.C.F.A. had indicated, for the guidance of the C.N.A.A.F., that the following deductions would be made from the gross receipts:

Entertainment tax—30 per cent.
Stadium rent—15 per cent.
Wages of stewards, Police fees and hire of chairs—10 per cent.

Concerning friendly matches, the meeting was told that, the M.C.F.A. had made arrangements for the Hong Kong team to play three games in Singapore after the "Ho Ho" Cup match.

Other friendly games.

The M.C.F.A. had, so the meeting was informed, also been approached by several other Football Associations in Malaya to arrange friendly soccer games with the Hong Kong team.

Nine matches have been suggested as follows:

Malacca; 1. Seremban; 2. Kuala Lumpur; 3. Ipoh; 4. Penang; 5. It was agreed by the meeting that, having regard to conditions in Malaya, the decision as to whether or not these suggested matches should be played should be left to the manager of the team.

The meeting authorised the purchase of pennants and 24 medals—12 gold and 12 silver—for presentation to the winners and runners-up respectively in the "Ho Ho" Cup match.

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